Nebraska's 25th Bowl Trip

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ALL-AMERICAN

NEBRASKA
vs.
LOUISIANA STATE

JANUARY 1, 1987

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Nebraska Head Coach Tom Osborne

OSBORNE IN BOWL GAMES
7-6-0

1974 Cotton Bowl—NU 19, Texas 3
1974 Sugar Bowl—NU 13, Florida 10
1975 Fiesta Bowl—Arizona St. 17, NU 14
1976 Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl—NU 27, Texas Tech 24
1977 Liberty Bowl—NU 21, North Carolina 17
1978 Orange Bowl—Oklahoma 31, NU 24
1980 Cotton Bowl—Houston 17, NU 14
1980 Sun Bowl—NU 31, Mississippi St. 17
1982 Orange Bowl—Clemson 22, NU 15
1983 Orange Bowl—NU 21, LSU 20
1984 Orange Bowl—Miami (Fla.) 31, NU 30
1985 Sugar Bowl—NU 28, LSU 10
1986 Sunkist Fiesta Bowl—Michigan 27, NU 23

1986 NEBRASKA FOOTBALL SCHEDULE AND SCORES

11 GAMES (9-2)

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	SCORE	ATTENDANCE
Sept. 6	Florida State	Lincoln	W, 34-17	75,865
Sept. 20	Illinois	Champaign	W, 59-14	75,865
Sept. 27	Oregon	Lincoln	W, 48-14	76,185
Oct. 4	South Carolina	Columbia	W, 27-24	73,109
Oct. 11	Oklahoma State	Lincoln	W, 30-10	76,041
Oct. 18	Missouri	Lincoln	W, 48-17	76,005
Oct. 25	Colorado	Boulder	L, 10-20	52,440
Nov. 1	Kansas State	Lincoln	W, 38-0	75,893
Nov. 8	Iowa State	Ames	W, 35-14	48,007
Nov. 15	Kansas	Lawrence	W, 70-0	48,800
Nov. 22	Oklahoma	Lincoln	L, 17-20	76,198

SEASON'S GREETINGS

The University of Nebraska Cornhuskers and all members of the NU Athletic Department wish to take this opportunity to thank all the media representatives for their continued interest in college football and intercollegiate athletics. All of us at Nebraska join in extending to you best wishes for a very happy Holiday Season and a joyous and prosperous New Year.

Bob Devaney	Tom Osborne	Don Bryant
Athletic Director	Asst. AD & Head Football Coach	Asst. AD & Sports Information Dir.

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HUSKER TRAVEL PLANS

The Nebraska party will fly to New Orleans on Dec. 23, 1986. The group will return home on Jan. 2, 1987.

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FOOTBALL STAFF

Head Football Coach/Asst. Athletic Director ..... Tom Osborne, Hastings, '59
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Assistant/Receivers ..... Gene Huey, Wyoming, '69
Assistant/Off. Line ..... Milt Tenopir, Sterling, '61
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Off-Campus Recruiting Coordinator ..... Jack Pierce, Huron, '67
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On-campus Recruiting Coord. ..... Dave Gillespie, Nebraska, '77

MEDICAL STAFF

Athletic Medicine ..... Dr. Samuel Fuenning, Nebraska, '45
Team Physician ..... Dr. Pat Clare, Nebraska, '62
Team Physician ..... Dr. Tom Heiser, Nebraska, '76
Head Trainer and Physical Therapist ..... George Sullivan, RPT, Nebraska, '51
Asst. Trainer and Physical Therapist ..... Jerry Weber, RPT, Nebraska, '74
Asst. Trainer and Physical Therapist ..... Roland E. 'Duke' LaRue, RPT, Buena Vista, '50
Assistant Trainer ..... Jack Nickolite, Nebraska, '81

MAINTENANCE STAFF

Grounds Director ..... Bill Shepard
Equipment Director ..... Glen Abbott
Assistant Equipment Director ..... Walter Johnson

SUGAR BOWL
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
Louisiana Superdome (72,675)—New Orleans, La.
Jan. 1, 1987—2:30 p.m. (CST)

BILL ARNSPARGER
Head Coach

WENDELL DAVIS
Wide Receiver

TOBY CASTON
Linebacker

School location: Baton Rouge, La., 70894
Nickname: Fighting Tigers
Colors: Purple & Gold
Enrollment: 30,000
President: Dr. Allen A. Copping
Chancellor: Dr. James H. Wharton
Interim Athletic Director: Larry Jones
Stadium: Tiger Stadium (1924)
Capacity: 77,542
Playing surface: natural grass
Head Coach: Bill Arnsparger (Miami, O., 1950)
Career record: 26-7-2 in three years, all at LSU
Football office telephone: 504-388-1151
Offensive assistants: Ed Zaunbrecher (Middle Tennessee, 1972), off. coordinator; Jessie Daigle (SE Louisiana, 1968), backs; Terry Lewis (Southern, La., 1970), tackles and tight ends; Pete Mangurian (LSU, 1976), line; Jerry Sullivan (Delta State, 1968), receivers.
Defensive assistants: Pete Jenkins (Western Carolina, 1964), line; Mike Nolan (Oregon, 1981), linebackers; John Symank (Florida, 1957), linebackers/recruiting.
Basic offense: multiple
Basic defense: 3-4
Business Manager: Ken Lavespere
Ticket Manager: Jim Sullivan
Head Trainer: John Purdy

Sports Information
SID Jamie Kimbrough
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Ed Atlas
Charles Bloom
504-388-8226

JAMIE KIMBROUGH
Sports Information
Director

TOM HODSON
Quarterback

HENRY THOMAS
Nose Guard

1986 RESULTS (9-2-0)

Date		Opponent	Result
Sept.	13	Texas A&M	W, 35-17
Sept.	20	Miami, O.	L, 12-21
Oct.	4	@Florida	W, 28-17
Oct.	11	Georgia	W, 23-14
Oct.	18	@Kentucky	W, 25-16
Oct.	25	No. Carolina	W, 30-3
Nov.	1	Mississippi	L, 19-21
Nov.	8	Alabama*	W, 14-10
Nov.	15	Mississippi State**	W, 47-0
Nov.	22	Notre Dame	W, 21-19
Nov.	29	Tulane	W, 37-17

*at Birmingham, Ala.
**at Jackson, Miss.

SERIES HISTORY
(Nebraska leads, 4-0-1)

Season	Result	Site
1970*	Nebraska, 17-12	Miami, Fla.
1975	Nebraska, 10-7	Lincoln
1976	Tie, 6-6	Baton Rouge
1982**	Nebraska, 21-20	Miami, Fla.
1985***	Nebraska, 28-10	New Orleans

Total points: Nebraska 82, LSU 55.
*1971 Orange Bowl.
**1983 Orange Bowl.
***1985 Sugar Bowl.

USF&G SUGAR BOWL NOTES

THE COACHES: Nebraska's Tom Osborne (Hastings, 1959) goes into his 14th-straight bowl with a career record of 136-32-2, all with the Huskers. Osborne's career winning percentage of .806 ranks him third among active NCAA Division I-A coaches, trailing only Barry Switzer of Oklahoma and Joe Paterno of Penn State. The Tigers' Bill Arnsparger (Miami, O., 1950) is 26-7-2 in his third and final year as a collegiate head coach—he becomes athletic director at the University of Florida following the Sugar Bowl. Osborne is 3-0-1 against LSU, including 2-0-0 in bowl games. He's 1-0-0 vs. Arnsparger, as his Huskers beat the latter's first LSU team, 28-10, in the 1985 Sugar Bowl. Osborne is 8-1-1 all-time against Southeastern Conference teams. Arnsparger's only previous outing against a Big Eight team was the loss to Nebraska in the 1985 Sugar Bowl. Osborne is 7-6-0 in bowl games, Arnsparger is 0-2-0. This will be Osborne's third-straight bowl game coaching against former Miami of Ohio teammates. Arnsparger and Michigan Coach Bo Schembechler (1986 Fiesta Bowl) were Redskin teammates in 1949.

THE SERIES: It's the sixth meeting in a series that has become a bowl fixture. It's the fourth time overall and third in the last five years that Nebraska and LSU have met in bowl games, including the 1971 and 1983 Orange Bowls, and the 1985 Sugar. Nebraska leads the series, 4-0-1, with the one blemish a 6-6 regular-season tie at Baton Rouge in the 1976 opener. The first meeting between the two schools was a memorable one for the Huskers. Nebraska went into the 1971 Orange Bowl ranked No. 3 in the Associated Press poll and carrying a 10-0-1 record. Before the Huskers and Tigers took the field at Miami on New Year's Night, however, Notre Dame had upset top-ranked Texas, 24-11, in the Cotton Bowl, and Stanford had shocked second-ranked Ohio State, 27-17, in the Rose Bowl. That left the door to the national title open for Nebraska, which built a 10-0 first quarter lead only to see the Tigers come back to take a 12-10 advantage on the final play of the third quarter. With 8:50 left in the game, however, quarterback Jerry Tagge made the most memorable 1-yard sneak in Nebraska history, giving the Huskers a 17-12 victory and the first of two-straight national titles.

HUSKERS VS. THE SEC: Nebraska is 12-3-1 all-time against the SEC, with all three losses coming at the hands of Alabama. The Huskers have won five-straight against SEC teams since a 20-3 loss to the Crimson Tide at Birmingham in the 1978 season opener.

IN BOWLS: Nebraska will be making its 25th bowl appearance and its 19th in one of the New Year's Day bowls (including Jan. 2 games). The Huskers lead the nation with 18-straight bowl appearances overall and with six-straight New Year's appearances. Nebraska is 13-11-0 overall in bowls, 8-10-0 on New Year's. Louisiana State is making its 26th bowl appearance and it's third in a row. The Tigers are 10-14-1 all-time in post-season play, including 7-9-1 in the New Year's bowls. LSU's last New Year's win was in the 1968 Sugar Bowl, 20-13 over a Wyoming team that featured split end Gene Huey, who is finishing his 10th year as Nebraska's receivers coach. Nebraska's first bowl appearance was a 21-12 loss to Stanford in the 1941 Rose Bowl. LSU's bowl debut was a 3-2 loss to Texas Christian in the 1936 Sugar Bowl. Nebraska is 2-1-0 in the Sugar Bowl, LSU is 3-6-0.

ALL-AMERICAN: That's Husker middle guard Danny Noonan, who was on virtually every team selected this fall. He was Nebraska's 70th All-America selection, the Huskers' 32nd consensus pick and NU's 14th unanimous pick (i.e., by AP, UPI, Football Writers, AFCA/Kodak and Walter Camp.)

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS: Offensive tackle Tom Welter (3.48 in business administration) and place-kicker Dale Klein (3.74 in mechanical engineering) were

named to CoSIDA's Academic All-America team for 1986. They bring to 36 the number of Husker academic All-America selections since 1960.

SMITH LEADS NCAA PUNT RETURNERS: Although he technically had two too few returns to qualify, Nebraska split end Rod Smith is the 1986 NCAA Division I-A punt return champion. Smith averaged 18.92 yards on 12 returns in 11 game appearances, but he needed 14 returns to meet the qualifying minimum of 1.2 per game. However, if two returns for no yards are added to his totals, his average of 16.21 still leaves him ahead of runner-up Kwante Hampton of Long Beach State, who averaged 15.13 yards on 24 returns. Smith's 18.9 average broke the old Nebraska season record of 16.6 set by Johnny Rodgers in 1971. Smith becomes the third Nebraska player to win an NCAA individual statistics title. The others are the late Bobby Reynolds, who led the nation in scoring in 1950 at 17.4 points per game, a record that still stands, and Mike Rozier, who led the nation in rushing (179.0 yards per game) and scoring (14.5 points per game) in 1983.

BRINSON WAS SEVENTH: Smith was just one half, though, of the most dangerous punt-return combination in the country in 1986. Teammate Dana Brinson, a sophomore wingback from Valdosta, Ga., was seventh in NCAA punt returns, averaging 12.59 yards on 27 returns. Waiting in the wings is senior split end Robb Schnitzler, who led the Big Eight in punt returns in 1985 with a 12.9 average. Schnitzler's only return in 1986 resulted in a 70-yard touchdown at Iowa State.

HOMECOMING: The 1987 UFS&G Sugar Bowl will provide a homecoming for two Husker defenders—junior tackle Neil Smith, who is from McDonogh High School in New Orleans, and sophomore linebacker LeRoy Etienne, who hails from New Iberia, La. Smith has two high school teammates on the LSU team, defensive end Clint James and offensive tackle Robert Packnett.

CAN HISTORY REPEAT ITSELF? Husker I-back Keith Jones hopes so. The junior from Omaha Central earned All-Big Eight honors in 1986 and led the conference in rushing at 83.0 yards per game. He finished the year with a team- and Big Eight-leading 830 net yards, the first time since 1978 that Nebraska did not have a 1,000-yard rusher and the first time since 1967 that the Big Eight did not have a 1,000-yard rusher. In 1967, Oklahoma's Steve Owens led the conference in rushing with 808 yards. In 1968, Owens ran for 1,536 yards and won the Heisman Trophy. Jones would like to see that pattern repeated.

HUSKERS YIELD CONFERENCE TOTAL OFFENSE CROWN: Nebraska averaged 403.1 yards per game in total offense in 1986, a more-than-respectable figure in anybody's book, but Oklahoma averaged 473.6, and for the first time in 10 years, Nebraska did not lead the Big Eight in total offense. During the last decade, the Huskers piled up 52,702 yards in total offense (98 yards short of 30 miles), averaging 470.6 yards per game in 112 regular-season contests. In that time, Nebraska led the NCAA in total offense three times (1978, 1982 and 1985).

RUSHING OFFENSE: After leading the nation in rushing four out of six years, Nebraska yielded the title to Oklahoma in 1986, 404.7-305.5. Nebraska has not finished lower than third in the nation in rushing in the 1980s, and the only non-Big Eight teams to out-rush the Huskers during that time were Army and Air Force in 1984. The Nebraska ground game did accomplish something no one else did this fall—score a rushing touchdown against Oklahoma's defense, on I-back Keith Jones' 2-yard burst.

ROCK-RIBBED DEFENSE: Led by All-America middle guard Danny Noonan, Nebraska was second in the nation in total defense in 1986 at 235.5 yards per game, trailing, who else, Oklahoma (169.6). Helped by a 10-year best of minus-21 yards rushing against Kansas, the Huskers also ranked ninth in rushing defense (95.5).

SCORING: Nebraska was the third-highest-scoring team in the country in 1986 (37.8 points per game) and the seventh-toughest to score against (13.6).

POST-SEASON BOWL SCHEDULE
(All Times CST)

DECEMBER 13

CALIFORNIA: at Fresno, Calif., 4:30 p.m., San Jose State (9-2-0) vs. Miami, O. (8-3-0)

DECEMBER 20

INDEPENDENCE: at Shreveport, La., 7 p.m., Texas Tech (7-4-0) vs. Mississippi (7-3-1)

DECEMBER 23

HALL OF FAME: at Tampa, Fla., 7 p.m., Georgia (8-3-0) vs. Boston College (8-3-0)

DECEMBER 25

SUN: at El Paso, Texas, 1:30 p.m., Washington (8-2-1) vs. Alabama (9-3-0)

DECEMBER 27

GATOR: at Jacksonville, Fla., 11:30 a.m., Clemson (7-2-2) vs. Stanford (8-3-0)

ALOHA: at Honolulu, Hawaii, 3 p.m., Arizona (8-3-0) vs. North Carolina (7-3-1)

DECEMBER 29

LIBERTY: at Memphis, Tenn., 7 p.m., Minnesota (6-5-0) vs. Tennessee (6-5-0)

DECEMBER 30

FREEDOM: at Anaheim, Calif., 7 p.m., UCLA (7-3-1) vs. Brigham Young (8-4-0)

HOLIDAY: at San Diego, Calif., 8 p.m., Iowa (8-3-0) vs. San Diego State (8-3-0)

DECEMBER 31

BLUEBONNET: at Houston, Texas, 2 p.m., Baylor (8-3-0) vs. Colorado (6-5-0)

PEACH: at Atlanta, Ga., 12 noon, North Carolina State (8-2-1) vs. Virginia Tech (8-2-1)

ALL-AMERICAN: at Birmingham, Ala., 7 p.m., Florida State (6-4-1) vs. Indiana (6-5-0)

JANUARY 1

FLORIDA CITRUS: at Orlando, Fla., 11 a.m., Auburn (9-2-0) vs. Southern California (7-4-0)

COTTON: at Dallas, Texas, 12:30 p.m., Texas A&M (9-2-0) vs. Ohio State (9-3-0)

SUGAR: at New Orleans, La., 2:30 p.m., Nebraska (9-2-0) vs. Louisiana State (9-2-0)

ROSE: at Pasadena, Calif., 4 p.m., Arizona State (9-1-1) vs. Michigan (10-1-0)

ORANGE: at Miami, Fla., 7 p.m., Oklahoma (10-1-0) vs. Arkansas (9-2-0)

JANUARY 2

FIESTA: at Tempe, Ariz., 7 p.m., Penn State (11-0-0) vs. Miami, Fla. (11-0-0)

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THIRD-TEAM ALL-AMERICA

TOM WELTER, OT ..... Football News

HONORABLE-MENTION ALL-AMERICA

BRODERICK THOMAS, DE ..... AP, UPI
TOM WELTER, OT ..... AP, UPI
KEITH JONES, IB ..... AP
ROB MAGGARD, OT ..... AP
JOHN McCORMICK, OG ..... AP
MARC MUNFORD, LB ..... AP
STAN PARKER, OG ..... AP
CHRIS SPACHMAN, DT ..... AP

SOPHOMORE ALL-AMERICA

BRODERICK THOMAS, DE ..... Football News

SECOND-TEAM SOPHOMORE ALL-AMERICA

LeROY ETIENNE, LB ..... Football News

ALL-BIG EIGHT

KEITH JONES, IB ..... AP, UPI, W-H
DANNY NOONAN, MG ..... AP, UPI, W-H
BRODERICK THOMAS, DE ..... AP, UPI, W-H
TOM WELTER, OT ..... AP, UPI, W-H
MARC MUNFORD, LB ..... AP, W-H
CHRIS SPACHMAN, DT ..... AP, W-H

SECOND-TEAM ALL-BIG EIGHT

JOHN McCORMICK, OG ..... AP, UPI
BRIAN DAVIS, CB ..... UPI
ROB MAGGARD, OT ..... AP
TODD MILLIKAN, TE ..... UPI
MARC MUNFORD, LB ..... UPI
STAN PARKER, OG ..... AP
ROD SMITH, SE ..... UPI
CHRIS SPACHMAN, DT ..... UPI

ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

DALE KLEIN, PK ..... 3.74, Mechanical Engineering
TOM WELTER, OT ..... 3.48, Business Administration

REGIONAL ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA

BRYAN SIEBLER, S ..... 3.69, Mathematics

ACADEMIC ALL-BIG EIGHT

KEN KAELIN, FB ..... 3.03, Recreation Management
DALE KLEIN, PK ..... 3.74, Mechanical Engineering
ROB MAGGARD, OT ..... 3.71, Speech Communications
MARC MUNFORD, LB ..... 3.02, Speech Communications
ROBB SCHNITZLER, SE ..... 3.46, Pre-physical Therapy
BRYAN SIEBLER, S ..... 3.69, Mathematics
CHRIS SPACHMAN, LB ..... 3.06, Speech Communications
BRAD TYRER, DE ..... 3.06, Speech Communications
TOM WELTER, OT ..... 3.48, Business Administration

BIG EIGHT PLAYERS-OF-THE-WEEK

OFFENSE
STEVE TAYLOR, QB Florida State
KEN KAELIN, FB, Iowa State
DEFENSE
DANNY NOONAN, MG, Florida State
BRYAN SIEBLER, S, South Carolina
MARC MUNFORD, LB, Oklahoma

SPORTS ILLUSTRATED & CNN OFFENSIVE PLAYER-OF-THE-WEEK

STEVE TAYLOR, QB, Florida State

NEBRASKA OFFENSIVE DEPTH CHART

SE—85 Robb Schnitzler*, 5-9, 175, 23, Sr., Battle Creek, Neb.**
88 Rod Smith**, 6-2, 195, 21, Jr., Thornton, Colo.
86 Jason Gamble**, 5-11, 170, 21, So., Santa Barbara, Calif.

LT—72 Rob Maggard*, 6-3, 265, 22, Sr., Olathe, Kan.**
57 Keven Lightner**, 6-2, 285, 21, Jr., Hastings, Neb. (Adams Central)
62 Bob Sledge*, 6-2, 265, 21, So., Omaha, Neb. (Gross)

LG—74 Stan Parker*, 6-5, 270, 22, Sr., Bellevue, Neb. (East)**
65 Andy Keeler*, 6-3, 265, 21, So., Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
68 Jake Young*, 6-5, 250, 18, Fr., Midland, Texas (Lee)

C—54 Mark Cooper*, 6-2, 250, 23, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (East)**
53 Jeff Sellentin**, 6-3, 255, 23, Sr., West Point, Neb.
63 John Nichols*, 6-2, 265, 21, Jr., Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)

RG—61 John McCormick, 6-1, 265, 21, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Gross)**
75 Mike Hoefler***, 6-5, 255, 23, Sr., Norfolk, Neb.
67 Ron Galois**, 6-2, 275, 23, Sr., Lincoln, Neb.

RT—69 Tom Welter, 6-5, 265, 22, Sr., Yankton, S.D.**
64 Brad Johnson**, 6-3, 265, 22, Sr., Ralston, Neb.
70 Corey Bill Hudson, 6-3, 265, 22, Jr., Belvidere, Neb. (Hebron)

TE—43 Todd Millikan, 6-3, 230, 20, So., Shenandoah, Iowa**
87 Tom Banderas**, 6-3, 240, 21, Jr., Oak Grove, Mo.
84 Willie Griffin*, 6-3, 255, 20, So., Monrovia, Calif.

QB— 9 Steve Taylor, 5-11, 195, 19, So., San Diego, Calif. (Lincoln)**
12 Clete Blakeman**, 6-1, 190, 22, Jr., Norfolk, Neb.
7 McCathorn Clayton**, 6-0, 190, 22, Jr., Orlando, Fla. (Jones)

FB—49 Ken Kaelin*, 5-10, 225, 23, Sr., Westerville, Neb. (Ansley)**
48 Micah Heibel*, 6-2, 220, 21, Jr., Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
26 Doug Dalton*, 5-9, 220, 21, So., Cortland, Ohio

IB— 6 Keith Jones*, 5-10, 190, 20, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Central)**
34 Tyreese Knox*, 5-10, 215, 21, So., Daly City, Calif. (Jefferson)
25 Jeff Wheeler*, 5-10, 175, 20, So., Urbandale, Iowa

WB— 2 Von Sheppard, 5-10, 185, 21, Jr., St. Paul, Minn. (Central)**
33 Dana Brinson**, 5-9, 170, 21, So., Valdosta, Ga.
82 Hendley Hawkins**, 5-10, 185, 21, Jr., Los Angeles, Calif. (Crenshaw)

NEBRASKA SPECIALISTS

KO-PAT-FG—1 Dale Klein***, 44 Gregg Barrios, 18 Dave Cheloha
PUNTERS—46 John Kroeker*, 24 Dante Wiley*, 14 Jim Toner
HOLDERS—12 Clete Blakeman**, 9 Steve Taylor**, 7 McCathorn Clayton**
SNAPPERS—54 Mark Cooper***, 53 Jeff Sellentin**, 63 John Nichols*
KO RETURNS—33 Dana Brinson**, 88 Rod Smith**, 6 Keith Jones***
PUNT RETURNS—33 Dana Brinson**, 88 Rod Smith**

*Denotes letters earned.
Ages as of Jan. 1, 1987.

NEBRASKA DEFENSIVE DEPTH CHART

LE—89 Broderick Thomas, 6-2, 235, 19, So., Houston, Texas (Madison)**
80 Jeff Jamrog**, 6-2, 225, 21, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Elkhorn Mt. Michael)
93 John Marco*, 6-1, 230, 20, So., Bellevue, Neb. (West)

LT—76 Chris Spachman*, 6-4, 265, 23, Sr., Kansas City, Mo. (Bishop Miege)**
99 Neil Smith**, 6-6, 250, 20, Jr., New Orleans, La. (McDonogh 35)
52 Danny Groskurth**, 6-4, 260, 21, Jr., Beemer, Neb. (Wisner-Pilger)

MG—95 Danny Noonan*, 6-4, 280, 21, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)**
96 Lawrence Pete*, 6-2, 280, 20, So., Wichita, Kan. (South)
92 Sean Putnam*, 6-3, 255, 20, So., O'Neill, Neb.

RT—98 Lee Jones, 6-1, 250, 22, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Benson)**
78 Tim Rother*, 6-6, 270, 21, Jr., Bellevue, Neb. (East)
99 Neil Smith**, 6-6, 250, 20, Jr., New Orleans, La. (McDonogh 35)

RE—91 Tony Holloway*, 6-3, 205, 22, Sr., Bellevue, Neb. (West)**
83 Brad Tyrer***, 6-2, 220, 23, Sr., Kansas City, Mo. (Rockhurst)

SLB—35 Kevin Parsons**, 6-3, 240, 22, Sr., Springfield, Mo. (Glendale)**
47 LeRoy Etienne**, 6-1, 235, 20, So., New Iberia, La.
37 Doug Welniak**, 5-11, 220, 22, Jr., Elyria, Neb. (Ord)

WLB—41 Marc Munford*, 6-2, 230, 21, Sr., Littleton, Colo. (Heritage)**
39 Blake Henning*, 6-0, 220, 21, Jr., Crete, Neb.

LCB—32 Brian Davis, 6-2, 190, 23, Sr., Phoenix, Ariz. (Cortez)**
28 John Custard*, 5-9, 175, 20, So., Bellevue, Neb. (East)
16 Bill Settles, 6-0, 180, 20, So., Lincoln, Neb. (East)

RCB—10 Charles Fryar*, 5-10, 170, 21, So., Burlington, N.J.
17 Cleo Miller**, 5-9, 180, 21, Sr., Dallas, Texas (Lincoln)
8 Lorenzo Hicks*, 5-11, 195, 20, So., Kansas City, Mo. (Southeast)

SS— 5 Brian Washington*, 6-1, 220, 21, Jr., Highland Springs, Va.**
11 Jeff Tomjack**, 6-1, 205, 23, Jr., Ewing, Neb.
3 Gary Schneider****, 6-0, 195, 23, Sr., O'Neill, Neb. (St. Mary's)

S—19 Bryan Siebler*, 6-0, 195, 22, Sr., Fremont, Neb.**
23 Mark Blazek*, 6-0, 200, 21, So., Valparaiso, Neb. (Raymond Central)
29 Dan Thayer**, 6-2, 195, 23, Sr., Grand Island, Neb.

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Ages as of Jan. 1, 1987

HUSKER CO-CAPTAINS

74 Stan Parker — 76 Chris Spachman — 41 Marc Munford

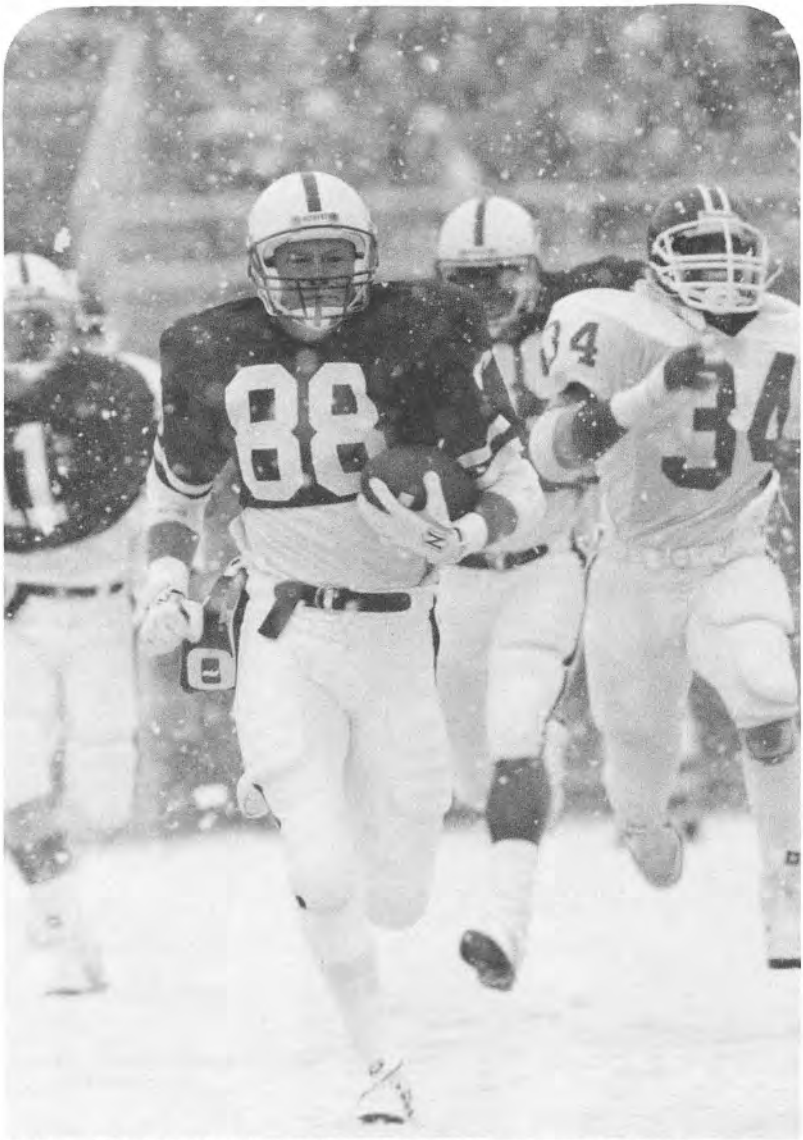
HONORARY GAME CAPTAINS

Robb Schnitzler—FSU	Bryan Siebler—OSU	Ken Kaelin—ISU
Danny Noonan—Illinois	Kevin Parsons—MU	Dale Klein—KU
Keith Jones—Oregon	Rod Smith—CU	Brian Davis—OU
Tom Welter—USC	Broderick Thomas—KSU	

NEBRASKA NUMERICAL ROSTER

(See pages 44-45 for alphabetical roster)

1	Dale Klein	K	52	Danny Groskurth	DT
2	Von Sheppard	WB	53	Jeff Sellentin	G
3	Gary Schneider	SS	54	Mark Cooper	C
4	Ray Nelson	WB	55	Doug Auxier	C
5	Brian Washington	SS	56	Steve Stanard	DE
6	Keith Jones	IB	57	Keven Lightner	OT
7	McCathorn Clayton	QB	58	Dave Bryan	MG
8	Lorenzo Hicks	CB	59	Jeff Anderson	C
9	Steve Taylor	QB	61	John McCormick	OG
10	Charles Fryar	CB	62	Bob Sledge	OT
11	Jeff Tomjack	SS	63	John Nichols	C
12	Clete Blakeman	QB	64	Brad Johnson	OT
13	Craig Schnitzler	K-P	65	Andy Keeler	OG
14	Jim Toner	P	66	Kurt Skradis	DT
15	Wendell Wooten	QB	67	Ron Galois	OG
16	Bill Settles	CB	68	Jake Young	OG
17	Cleo Miller	CB	69	Tom Welter	OT
18	Vance Behrens	WB	70	Corey Bill Hudson	OT
19	Bryan Siebler	S	72	Rob Maggard	OT
20	Terry Rodgers	IB	73	Derrick Green	OT
23	Mark Blazek	S	74	Stan Parker	OG
24	Dante Wiley	I.B-P	75	Mike Hoefler	OG
26	Doug Dalton	FB	76	Chris Spachman	DT
27	Cartier Walker	CB	77	Tim Ernest	OT
28	John Custard	CB	78	Tim Rother	DT
29	Dan Thayer	S	80	Jeff Jamrog	DE
31	Jamie Worden	WB	81	Mark Diaz	TE
32	Brian Davis	CB	82	Hendley Hawkins	WB
33	Dana Brinson	WB	83	Brad Tyrer	DE
34	Tyreese Knox	IB	84	Willie Griffin	TE
35	Kevin Parsons	LB	85	Robb Schnitzler	SE
36	Barry Kitrell	FB	86	Jason Gamble	SE
37	Doug Welniak	LB	87	Tom Banderas	TE
39	Blake Henning	LB	88	Rod Smith	SE
40	Jon Kelley	IB	89	Broderick Thomas	DE
41	Marc Munford	LB	90	Harlan Opie	DE
42	Jeff Mills	DE	91	Tony Holloway	DE
43	Todd Millikan	TE	92	Sean Putnam	MG
44	Gregg Barrios	K	93	Jon Merco	DE
45	Chris Carr	S	94	Corey Grobe	TE
46	John Kroeker	P	95	Danny Noonan	MG
47	LeRoy Etienne	LB	96	Lawrence Pete	MG
48	Micah Heibel	FB	97	Tony Palmer	DT
49	Ken Kaelin	FB	98	Lee Jones	DT
51	Pat Shaw	LB	99	Neil Smith	DT



Split end Rod Smith, who led the nation in punt returns (18.9 yards per carry), returns one 60 yards to the Kansas State 4-yard line during an early snowfall in Lincoln.

MEET THE HUSKERS

OFFENSE

SPLIT ENDS

Schnitzler

Smith

Gamble

85 Robb Schnitzler, 3L, 5-9, 175, 23, Sr., Battle Creek, Neb.
88 Rod Smith, 2L, 6-2, 195, 21, Jr., Thornton, Colo.
86 Jason Gamble, 2L, 5-11, 170, 21, So., Santa Barbara, Calif.

One of Nebraska's deepest positions, and one of the Huskers' most-experienced and talented positions, too. It certainly is the team's most well-balanced as Schnitzler, Smith and Gamble alternated starts throughout the season, combining for 28 pass receptions for 423 yards, a sizable chunk of the Huskers' team totals of 73 for 1,074. Smith led the split ends in receptions and was second on the team overall with 12 for 190, including a 25-yard touchdown catch vs. Oklahoma. He led the NCAA and Big Eight in punt returns with his school-record 18.9-yard average on 12 returns (including a 63-yard TD vs. Oklahoma State). Those figures helped earn him second-team All-Big Eight status. Smith served as honorary captain for the Colorado game and was the Huskers' offensive player-of-the-week after the Oklahoma State game. Schnitzler and Gamble shared the No. 4 spot among Nebraska receivers, each catching eight passes, Schnitzler for 122 yards and a TD, Gamble for 111 yards. Schnitzler, who led the Big Eight in punt returns in 1985 (12.9), returned only one punt in 1986, but for a 70-yard TD against Iowa State. He served as honorary captain for the Florida State game.

OFFENSIVE LEFT TACKLES

Maggard

Lightner

Sledge

72 Rob Maggard, 3L, 6-3, 265, 22, Sr., Olathe, Kan.
57 Keven Lightner, 2L, 6-2, 285, 21, Jr., Hastings, Neb. (Adams Central)
62 Bob Sledge, 1L, 6-2, 265, 21, So., Omaha, Neb. (Gross)

Maggard came on as a senior to earn a starting job, which he held all season long. An academic All-Big Eight pick for his 3.71 grade-point average in speech communications, Maggard was a second-team all-conference choice on the field and was an honorable-mention All-America selection by the Associated Press. Lightner, one of the strongest players on the team, played a lot as an alternate and will be someone to watch in 1987. Sledge, a transfer from the University of South Dakota, added extra bench strength.

OFFENSIVE LEFT GUARDS

Parker

Keeler

Young

74 Stan Parker, 3L, 6-5, 270, 22, Sr., Bellevue, Neb. (East)
65 Andy Keeler, 1L, 6-3, 265, 21, So., Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
68 Jake Young, 1L, 6-5, 250, 18, Fr., Midland, Texas (Lee)

Parker became a full-time starter in 1986 and was a mainstay on a Husker offensive line that powered Nebraska to 305.5 yards per game on the ground. A co-captain, he was also a second-team All-Big Eight and honorable-mention All-America selection by the Associated Press. His alternate, Keeler, appears to be a star of the future, as does Young, a natural freshman who moved up to the varsity squad in August and stayed there.

CENTERS

Cooper

Sellentin

Nichols

54 Mark Cooper, 3L, 6-2, 250, 23, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (East)
53 Jeff Sellentin, 2L, 6-3, 255, 23, Sr., West Point, Neb.
63 John Nichols, 1L, 6-2, 265, 21, Jr., Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)

After serving as the Huskers' deep snapper in 1984 and 1985, Cooper took over the starting center job in 1986 and helped Nebraska continue its tradition of having one of the finest rushing attacks in the nation. Cooper got into the stats himself against Oklahoma when he caught a pass which had been deflected by a Sooner defender (it went for no gain). He started all but one game, Colorado, when he gave way to Sellentin because of an injury.

OFFENSIVE RIGHT GUARDS

McCormick

Hoefler

Galois

61 John McCormick, 2L, 6-1, 265, 21, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Gross)
75 Mike Hoefler, 3L, 6-5, 255, 23, Sr., Norfolk, Neb.
67 Ron Galois, 2L, 6-2, 275, 23, Sr., Lincoln, Neb.

In his second year as a starter, McCormick was once again one of the mainstays of Nebraska's offensive line. He was a second-team All-Big Eight pick by both the Associated Press and United Press International, and was named honorable-mention All-America by AP. He could be a candidate for larger honors in 1987. He is backed up by a pair of experienced and capable seniors in Hoefler and Galois.

OFFENSIVE RIGHT TACKLES

Welter

Johnson

Hudson

69 Tom Welter, 2L, 6-5, 265, 22, Sr., Yankton, S.D.
64 Brad Johnson, 2L, 6-3, 265, 22, Sr., Ralston, Neb.
70 Corey Bill Hudson, 6-3, 265, 22, Jr., Belvidere, Neb. (Hebron)

The most-decorated Husker offensive lineman in 1986, Welter capped a fine career by being named All-Big Eight by the Associated Press, United Press International and the Omaha World-Herald. He was also a third-team All-America pick by the Football News and an honorable-mention All-America choice by AP and UPI. Welter, who is scheduled to play in the Hula Bowl all-star game in Honolulu in January, was the Huskers' honorary captain for the South Carolina game. He excelled off the field, too, earning academic All-America and All-Big Eight honors for his 3.48 grade-point average in business administration.

TIGHT ENDS

Millikan

Banderas

Griffin

Diaz

43 Todd Millikan, 2L, 6-3, 230, 20, So., Shenandoah, Iowa
87 Tom Banderas, 2L, 6-3, 240, 21, Jr., Oak Grove, Mo.
84 Willie Griffin, 1L, 6-3, 255, 20, So., Monrovia, Calif.
81 Mark Diaz, 2L, 6-2, 220, 22, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)

Another deep position, and one that should be a strength for Nebraska in the Sugar Bowl, particularly with a healthy Tom Banderas available. Banderas, who won the starting job in the spring, missed five regular-season games this fall because of a pulled hamstring and a knee strain. In his absence, sophomore Todd Millikan filled in with a bang-up job. The converted linebacker was Nebraska's third-leading receiver, with 11 catches, and led the Huskers in both receiving yards with 230, and touchdown receptions with four, including a game-winning 11-yard catch of a Steve Taylor pass with 1:26 left in the 27-24 win at South Carolina. Nebraska's offensive player-of-the-week after the Oregon game (two receptions, 51 yards, two TD's), he was named second-team All-Big Eight behind Oklahoma All-American Keith Jackson by United Press International. Banderas, meanwhile came back near the end of the year to post the best game of the season for any Husker receiver—four catches for 39 yards and two TD's in the 70-0 romp at Kansas. He finished with six season receptions for 70 yards. Griffin, possibly Nebraska's biggest tight end ever, added three catches for 42 yards and a TD, while Diaz had one reception for 11 yards. As a group, the tight ends caught 21 passes for 353 yards and caught seven of Nebraska's 11 TD passes.

QUARTERBACKS

Taylor

Blakeman

Clayton

9 Steve Taylor, 2L, 5-11, 195, 19, So., San Diego, Calif. (Lincoln)
12 Clete Blakeman, 2L, 6-1, 190, 22, Sr., Norfolk, Neb.
7 McCathorn Clayton, 2L, 6-0, 190, 22, Jr., Orlando, Fla. (Jones)

Taylor got off to a dazzling start in 1986, then nearly led Nebraska into the Big Eight throne room. In his first collegiate start, he rushed 12 times for 139 yards and two touchdowns against Florida State, while completing 10 of 16 passes for 130 yards and two more scores in the Huskers' 34-17 season-opening win over the Seminoles in a nationally-televised contest. That performance not only earned him Big Eight offensive player-of-the-week, but also national offensive player-of-the-week awards from both Sports Illustrated and CNN. Other top passing games were 9-of-19 for 196 yards vs. South Carolina and 9-of-20 for 131 yards vs. Oklahoma. A dangerous option quarterback, he led Nebraska in rushing three times—Florida State, Oregon (85 yards) and Oklahoma (44). He finished the year with 537 rushing yards, not far off the school record for quarterbacks of 576 set by John Bordogna in 1952. Blakeman was a solid alternate all year and made the most of a starting opportunity against Kansas when Taylor was held out with a bruised back and ribs. Against the Jayhawks, he completed eight of 12 passes for 94 yards and three TD's and rushed 11 times for 61 yards and another score in a 70-0 Nebraska win. Clayton, the Huskers' starting QB most of 1985, saw limited action this year, completing two of six passes for 24 yards and a TD, and rushing 22 times for 66 yards and a TD.

FULLBACKS

Kaelin

Heibel

Dalton

49 Ken Kaelin, 3L, 5-10, 225, 23, Sr., Westerville, Neb. (Ansley)
48 Micah Heibel, 1L, 6-2, 220, 21, Jr., Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
26 Doug Dalton, 1L, 5-9, 220, 21, So., Cortland, Ohio

Kaelin took over for NFL-bound Tom Rathman and turned in a fine season, rushing for 380 yards and two touchdowns on 68 carries, despite missing the South Carolina and Oklahoma State games because of a sprained foot. His top rushing performance came at Iowa State when he ran for a career-high 126 yards and a touchdown on 25 carries. Seventy-three of his yards against the Cyclones came in the second half, when he powered the Huskers back from a 14-7 halftime deficit to a 35-14 win. That effort earned him Big Eight offensive player-of-the-week honors. Fittingly, he was honorary captain for that game. Kaelin was an academic All-Big Eight choice for his 3.03 grade-point average in recreation management. Heibel proved to be a solid alternate, pounding out 302 yards and scoring two TD's on 54 carries.

I-BACKS

Jones

Knox

Wheeler

6 Keith Jones, 3L, 5-10, 190, 20, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Central)
34 Tyreese Knox, 1L, 5-10, 215, 21, So., Daly City, Calif. (Jefferson)
25 Jeff Wheeler, 1L, 5-10, 175, 20, So., Urbandale, Iowa

Thrust into the starting I-back role a year early when Heisman Trophy hopeful Doug DuBose went down for the season with a knee injury in practice, Aug. 23, Jones responded by leading the Big Eight in rushing and touchdowns, and earning all-conference honors. Nebraska's fastest player ever (4.33 seconds in the 40), he rushed for 830 yards and 14 touchdowns on 161 carries. He was the 12th Husker I-back to earn All-Big Eight acclaim in the last 10 years and the third Nebraska player to lead the conference in rushing in the last four seasons. He was, however, the first Nebraska rushing leader not to reach 1,000 yards since 1978 and was the first Big Eight rushing leader not to gain 1,000 yards since Oklahoma's Steve Owens in 1967. He can take heart, though, in that Owens won the Heisman Trophy in 1968. His top game was at Illinois, when he ran for 168 yards on 16 carries, including a 78-yard TD. He posted three other 100-yard-plus games on the season, 103 vs. South Carolina, 109 vs. Kansas State and 117 against Kansas. He sat out the Iowa State game after having surgery to repair a torn ligament in his thumb, then came back for the last two games with a specially-designed brace for the digit. Playing as a reserve, he carried three times for 15 yards vs. LSU in the 1985 Sugar Bowl. Jones served as honorary captain for the Oregon game. While Jones was sitting out the Iowa State contest, Knox made the most of his only starting opportunity of his young career, running for 126 yards on 29 carries. Knox switched from I-back to fullback last spring, then moved back to I-back when the Huskers had injury problems, and ended up as NU's third leading rusher (behind Jones and QB Steve Taylor) with 419 yards on 70 carries. In his first game back as I-back, he ran for 127 yards on eight carries against Missouri, including a 92-yard TD run, the fourth-longest in Nebraska history. Jones and Knox figure to carry the bulk of the I-back load in the Sugar Bowl, but Wheeler, Jon Kelley and Terry Rodgers are also available.

WINGBACKS

Sheppard

Brinson

Hawkins

2 Von Sheppard, 2L, 5-10, 185, 21, Jr., St. Paul, Minn. (Central)
33 Dana Brinson, 2L, 5-9, 170, 21, So., Valdosta, Ga.
82 Hendley Hawkins, 2L, 5-10, 185, 21, Jr., Los Angeles, Calif. (Crenshaw)

Sheppard missed six games in 1986 after he broke a bone in his leg against Oregon, Sept. 27, but he's back and should be 100 percent for the Sugar Bowl game. His return gives Nebraska what might be the most dangerous one-two wingback punch in the country. Because of the injury, his 1986 numbers aren't dazzling, but he was coming off a sophomore season in which he averaged a 17.7-yard gain every time he touched the ball. With him out most of this year, Brinson came to the fore, leading Nebraska in pass receiving (14 for 208 yards, one TD) and ranking among the NCAA leaders in punt returns (27 for a 12.2 average), while rushing for 286 yards and two TD's and averaging 21.5 yards on 13 kickoff returns. He led the Big Eight in all-purpose yards at 101.3 yards per game, and averaged 12.1 yards per touch. He was twice named Nebraska's offensive player-of-the-week (South Carolina and Colorado). The versatile Hawkins can also play split end if need be.

PUNTERS/KICKERS

Klein

Kroeker

1 Dale Klein, 3L, 6-1, 195, 23, Sr., Seward, Neb.
46 John Kroeker, 1L, 5-11, 180, 21, So., Henderson, Neb.

Klein went from unanimous All-Big Eight place-kicker status in 1985 to no mention in 1986, despite having an arguably better year. He connected on 10 of 13 field-goal attempts in 1986 (compared to 13-of-20 in 1985) and did not miss inside 45 yards. He missed once in 52 PAT's (at South Carolina, ending a string of 60-straight successes) for a .981 success rate, a school record for a minimum of 40 tries. His 10 field goals this year upped his career total to a school-record 27, breaking the old mark of 22 set by Billy Todd in 1977-78. Klein finished up as the

No. 6 scorer in Nebraska history with 196 points, third-best all-time among kickers. One of the Big Eight's top scholars, he earned academic All-America and all-conference laurels for his 3.74 grade-point average in mechanical engineering. He served as honorary captain for the Kansas game. Kroeker had a solid sophomore season as a punter, averaging 39.6 yards on 46 kicks. Only 20 of his punts were returned, and then for 92 yards total, none for more than 15 yards.

DEFENSE

DEFENSIVE LEFT ENDS

Thomas

Jamrog

Marco

89 Broderick Thomas, 2L, 6-2, 235, 19, So., Houston, Texas (Madison)
80 Jeff Jamrog, 2L, 6-2, 225, 21, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Elkhorn Mt. Michael)
93 Jon Marco, 1L, 6-1, 230, 20, So., Bellevue, Neb. (West)

Thomas burst onto the scene in 1986 as one of the brightest young stars on the college football scene. A unanimous All-Big Eight choice (Associated Press, United Press International, Omaha World-Herald), he also earned a spot on the Football News' sophomore All-America team and was an honorable-mention All-American according to AP. Those honors came after a season in which he recorded 58 total tackles, 41 of them unassisted (both figures third on the team behind linebackers Marc Munford and Kevin Parsons). He was second on the team in tackles for loss (11 for 48) behind All-America middle guard Danny Noonan. His most impressive statistics, though, were school records of six opponent fumble recoveries for the season and three in one game (at Colorado, Oct. 25). In addition, he scored a touchdown against Oregon when he picked up teammate Jeff Tomjack's fumble on an interception return and ran it the final four yards into the end zone. His top tackle game was nine at Colorado, and he recorded eight stops each against Oklahoma State and Missouri. He was the only sophomore to serve as an honorary co-captain, holding that honor for the Kansas State game. Thomas was Nebraska's defensive player-of-the-week three times, while his alternate, Jamrog, received the nomination for the Kansas game. Against the Jayhawks, Jamrog recovered a fumble and recorded three tackles, two of them for losses totaling 26 yards, including a 13-yard quarterback sack. Marco also had a fine game against the Jayhawks, sharing the team lead with five tackles, four of them unassisted, including a 21-yard sack and one other tackle behind the line for a 1-yard loss.

DEFENSIVE LEFT TACKLES

Spachman

Smith

Groskurth

76 Chris Spachman, 3L, 6-4, 265, 23, Sr., Kansas City, Mo. (Miege)
99 Neil Smith, 2L, 6-6, 250, 20, Jr., New Orleans, La. (McDonogh 35)
52 Danny Groskurth, 2L, 6-4, 260, 21, Jr., Beemer, Neb. (Wisner-Pilger)

Spachman and Smith provide Nebraska with one of the best one-two punches at defensive tackle in the country. Spachman capped an outstanding career with All-Big Eight accolades from the Associated Press and the Omaha World-Herald, plus AP honorable-mention All-America status. The Husker co-captain was in on 33 tackles, 21 unassisted, including four for losses of 17 yards. He also broke up a pass and recovered a fumble. His top tackle game in 1986 was eight against Oklahoma State. An academic All-Big Eight performer, he has a 3.06 grade-point average in speech communications. With linebacker Marc Munford, Spachman is one of two players returning who started against Louisiana State in the 1985 Sugar Bowl. He was credited with one tackle in that game. Smith, who will be returning to his hometown for the Sugar Bowl game, can play either left or right tackle. Among Husker interior linemen, Smith was second in tackles only to All-America middle guard Danny Noonan, recording 49, 20 unassisted, including eight for losses totaling 42 yards. An excellent pass rusher, he was second to Noonan on the team in quarterback sacks, recording five for 41 yards. He twice recorded career-high 10-tackle games in 1986, against Colorado and Oklahoma.

MIDDLE GUARDS

Noonan

Pete

Putnam

95 Danny Noonan, 3L, 6-4, 280, 21, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)
96 Lawrence Pete, 1L, 6-2, 280, 20, So., Wichita, Kan. (South)
92 Sean Putnam, 1L, 6-3, 255, 20, So., O'Neill, Neb.

Middle guard is, literally, the strongest position on this or any Nebraska football team. Senior starter and consensus All-American Danny Noonan set a Husker football bench-press record of 485 pounds last spring, only to have his alternate, Lawrence Pete, break it the following day with a 500-pound lift. Noonan emerged from the shadow of Oklahoma's Tony Casillas in 1986 to become the best middle guard in the country and, in many observers' opinions, the best down defensive lineman in college football. Despite facing double-, triple- and even quadruple-teaming on virtually every play this year, he still finished as the Huskers' fourth-leading tackler with 53, 31 unassisted. An outstanding pass rusher, he eluded blockers for a team-leading seven quarterback sacks for 38 yards in losses, and had five other tackles behind the line for 24 more yards lost. By totally shutting down the inside, he helped the Husker defense rank second nationally in total defense at 235.5 yards per game. Noonan's top tackle games were eight each against Oklahoma State and Oklahoma. Three times Nebraska's defensive player-of-the-week, he took the Big Eight weekly honor for his six-tackle, four-sack night in the opener vs. Florida State. He played as an alternate defensive tackle against Louisiana State in the 1985 Sugar Bowl, recording three tackles. When Noonan took a breather, the Huskers didn't have much of a dropoff as Pete had 25 tackles of his own, 17 unassisted and five for losses of 26 yards. Pete, who will have two years to start after Noonan heads to the NFL, had top tackle games of six vs. South Carolina and Kansas State.

DEFENSIVE RIGHT ENDS

Holloway

Tyrer

91 Tony Holloway, 3L, 6-3, 205, 22, Sr., Bellevue, Neb. (West)
83 Brad Tyrer, 3L, 6-2, 220, 23, Sr., Kansas City, Mo. (Rockhurst)

Holloway and Tyrer were rated about even all through 1986 and both players had fine years. Holloway recorded 43 tackles, 29 unassisted, had a fumble recovery and broke up a pass. Tyrer was in on 15 stops, 12 unassisted. Both players are good pass rushers. Holloway was third on the team in tackles for losses with 10 for 23 yards, including two quarterback sacks for four yards lost. Of Tyrer's 12 total tackles, eight were behind the line of scrimmage for 39 yards in losses, including four sacks for 30 yards lost. Holloway's top tackle game was eight, including four for losses of 11 yards, vs. Oklahoma State. He also had seven stops vs. Missouri and six each against Colorado and Oklahoma. An academic All-Big Eight selection, who has already earned his degree, he has a 3.06 grade-point average in speech communications.

DEFENSIVE RIGHT TACKLES

Jones

Rother

Smith

98 Lee Jones, 2L, 6-1, 250, 22, Jr., Omaha, Neb. (Benson)
78 Tim Rother, 1L, 6-6, 270, 21, Jr., Bellevue, Neb. (East)
99 Neil Smith, 2L, 6-6, 250, 20, Jr., New Orleans, La. (McDonogh 35)

One of the quickest players on Nebraska's defensive line, Jones recorded 36 total tackles, 23 unassisted, in nine game appearances, and had nine tackles for losses totaling 17 yards. Older brother of All-Big Eight I-back Keith Jones, Lee had at least one tackle for loss in seven of the games in which he played. Rother, who started the Missouri game when Jones was injured, finished the year with 15 total tackles, 10 unassisted, including two quarterback sacks for 13 yards in losses.

STRONG-SIDE LINEBACKERS

Parsons

Etienne

Welniak

35 Kevin Parsons, 4L, 6-3, 240, 22, Sr., Springfield, Mo. (Glendale)
47 LeRoy Etienne, 2L, 6-1, 235, 20, So., New Iberia, La.
37 Doug Welniak, 2L, 5-11, 220, 22, Jr., Elyria, Neb. (Ord)

One of two four-year lettermen on the Husker squad (with defensive back Gary Schneider), Parsons has been a standout performer throughout his career. He started every game in 1986 and finished as the Huskers' second-leading tackler behind Marc Munford, recording 72 total tackles, 44 unassisted, and breaking up four passes. His top tackle game was 11, nine unassisted, against Oklahoma. He also had nine tackles against South Carolina and eight at Colorado. Etienne developed into one of the top sophomores in the country, recording 38 total tackles, 21 unassisted, and breaking up two passes in a reserve role. He made a career-high and a team-leading 10 tackles in the win over Oregon. His play earned him a spot on the Football News second-team sophomore All-America team. Welniak, who has been one of the team's top special teams players the last two years, had 10 tackles, eight unassisted.

WEAK-SIDE LINEBACKERS

Munford

Henning

41 Marc Munford, 3L, 6-2, 230, 21, Sr., Littleton, Colo. (Heritage)
39 Blake Henning, 1L, 6-0, 220, 21, Jr., Crete, Neb.

One of the best defensive players in Nebraska football history, Munford came back from major surgery in November 1985 to earn All-Big Eight honors for the third-straight year in 1986, and led the Huskers in tackles for the third-straight year. As a senior, he was credited with 90 total tackles, including a team-leading 49 unassisted stops, as he finished as Nebraska's fifth-leading all-time tackler (256) and as the No. 2 Husker in career unassisted tackles with 153, only four tackles short of the record of 157 set by Steve Damkroger from 1979-82. Munford led Nebraska in tackles in seven of the last eight games in 1986 and was in double figures in tackles in six of those games, including a career-high-equaling 16 vs. Oklahoma in his last Memorial Stadium performance. His performance against the Sooners was memorable as it included a 12-yard sack of OU quarterback Jamelle Holieway, a fumble recovery and a pass interception. For his efforts, he was named Big Eight defensive player-of-the-week. He does well off the field, too, winning academic all-conference honors for his 3.02 grade-point average in speech communications. He and defensive tackle Chris Spachman are the only two Huskers back who started against Louisiana State in the 1985 Sugar Bowl game. Against the Tigers, he shared the NU team lead in tackles with nine, seven unassisted, and had a pass interception.

LEFT CORNERBACKS

Davis

Custard

Settles

32 Brian Davis, 2L, 6-2, 190, 23, Sr., Phoenix, Ariz. (Cortez)
28 John Custard, 1L, 5-9, 175, 20, So., Bellevue, Neb. (East)
16 Bill Settles, 6-0, 180, 20, Sr., Lincoln, Neb. (East)

Davis earned United Press International second-team All-Big Eight honors in 1986 for a senior season that saw him record 30 tackles, including 22 unassisted, and one for a loss of three yards against Iowa State. He broke up six passes during the season and recovered one fumble. His one pass interception as a senior was a big one. It came on the first play of the Illinois game, when he picked off a Shane Lamb pass and returned it 32 yards to score. That set the tone for the entire night in a 59-14 Nebraska win. Custard was a solid alternate, recording five tackles, four unassisted, including one for a loss of four yards. He also had a fumble recovery against Missouri.

RIGHT CORNERBACKS

Fryar

Miller

Hicks

10 Charles Fryar, 1L, 5-10, 170, 21, So., Burlington, N.J.
17 Cleo Miller, 2L, 5-9, 180, 21, Sr., Dallas, Texas (Lincoln)
8 Lorenzo Hicks, 1L, 5-11, 195, 20, So., Kansas City, Mo. (Southeast)

Fryar developed a reputation as one of the Big Eight's hardest hitters in a sterling sophomore season. The cousin of former Husker All-American Irving Fryar led the Husker secondary in tackles with 52, 38 unassisted, shared the team lead in pass interceptions with three, and tied the school season record of eight passes broken up, including three against Oklahoma State. His top tackle game was 10, eight unassisted, against Oklahoma. Miller had a solid season as a reserve, recording six tackles, all unassisted, and had a pass interception against Kansas State.

STRONG SAFETIES

Washington

Tomjack

Schneider

5 Brian Washington, 3L, 6-1, 220, 21, Jr., Highland Springs, Va.
11 Jeff Tomjack, 2L, 6-1, 205, 23, Jr., Ewing, Neb.
3 Gary Schneider, 4L, 6-0, 195, 23, Sr., O'Neill, Neb. (St. Mary's)

Washington and Tomjack provided Nebraska with a solid one-two punch at strong safety in 1986, each player recording 18 tackles. Washington's top tackle game was four against Oklahoma State, while Tomjack had a high of six stops against South Carolina. Washington, who started most of the year, also had a tackle for a loss against Kansas, and a fourth-quarter fumble recovery against Oklahoma. Tomjack, who started early games against Oregon and South Carolina, had two pass breakups on the year, plus an interception against the Ducks.

SAFETIES

Siebler

Blazek

Thayer

19 Bryan Siebler, 3L, 6-0, 195, 22, Sr., Fremont, Neb.
23 Mark Blazek, 1L, 6-0, 200, 21, So., Valparaiso, Neb. (Raymond Central)
29 Dan Thayer, 2L, 6-2, 195, 23, Sr., Grand Island, Neb.

Siebler took over as a full-time starter at safety in 1986 and responded with a fine season. He was second among defensive backs in total tackles with 51 (one behind cornerback Charles Fryar), 36 of them unassisted. He also shared the team lead in interceptions, and broke up two passes. He finished the year with a career-high 15 tackles against Oklahoma, including a career-high nine unassisted stops. The biggest play of his season or his career, though, probably came at South Carolina when he intercepted a Todd Ellis pass at the Nebraska 10-yard line with 38 seconds left, preserving a 27-24 Husker win. Blazek had a fine year as Siebler's alternate, contributing 27 tackles, 17 unassisted, and a pair of interceptions.

1987 HUSKER SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Site
Sept. 5	**Utah State**	**Lincoln**
Sept. 12	**UCLA**	**Lincoln**
Sept. 26	Arizona State	Tempe
Oct. 3	**South Carolina**	**Lincoln**
Oct. 10	**Kansas**	**Lincoln**
Oct. 17	Oklahoma State	Stillwater
Oct. 24	**Kansas State (Homecoming)**	**Lincoln**
Oct. 31	Missouri	Columbia
Nov. 7	**Iowa State**	**Lincoln**
Nov. 14	Colorado	Boulder
Nov. 21	**Oklahoma**	**Lincoln**

BOWL HISTORY AND RECORDS

1987 Sugar Bowl
Nebraska's
25th Bowl
Appearance

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NEBRASKA'S POST SEASON BOWL GAMES

RECORD: 13-11-0

Jan. 1, 1941—Rose Bowl, Pasadena: Stanford 21, Nebraska 13.
Jan. 1, 1955—Orange Bowl, Miami: Duke 34, Nebraska 7.
Dec. 15, 1962—Gotham Bowl, New York: Nebraska 36, Miami 34.
Jan. 1, 1964—Orange Bowl, Miami: Nebraska 13, Auburn 7.
Jan. 1, 1965—Cotton Bowl, Dallas: Arkansas 10, Nebraska 7.
Jan. 1, 1966—Orange Bowl, Miami: Alabama 39, Nebraska 28.
Jan. 2, 1967—Sugar Bowl, New Orleans: Alabama 34, Nebraska 7.
Dec. 20, 1969—Sun Bowl, El Paso: Nebraska 45, Georgia 6.
Jan. 1, 1971—Orange Bowl, Miami: Nebraska 17, LSU 12.
Jan. 1, 1972—Orange Bowl, Miami: Nebraska 38, Alabama 6.
Jan. 1, 1973—Orange Bowl, Miami: Nebraska 40, Notre Dame 6.
Jan. 1, 1974—Cotton Bowl, Dallas: Nebraska 19, Texas 3.
Dec. 31, 1974—Sugar Bowl, New Orleans: Nebraska 13, Florida 10.
Dec. 26, 1975—Fiesta Bowl, Tempe: Arizona State 17, Nebraska 14.
Dec. 31, 1976—Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl, Houston: Nebraska 27, Texas Tech 24.
Dec. 19, 1977—Liberty Bowl, Memphis: Nebraska 21, North Carolina 17.
Jan. 1, 1979—Orange Bowl, Miami: Oklahoma 31, Nebraska 24.
Jan. 1, 1980—Cotton Bowl, Dallas: Houston 17, Nebraska 14.
Dec. 27, 1980—Sun Bowl, El Paso: Nebraska 31, Mississippi St. 17.
Jan. 1, 1982—Orange Bowl, Miami: Clemson 22, Nebraska 15.
Jan. 1, 1983—Orange Bowl, Miami: Nebraska 21, LSU 20.
Jan. 2, 1984—Orange Bowl, Miami: Miami, Fla., 31, Nebraska 30
Jan. 1, 1985—Sugar Bowl, New Orleans: Nebraska 28, LSU 10.
Jan. 1, 1986—Fiesta Bowl, Tempe: Michigan 27, Nebraska 23

Husker Coaching Staff

TOM OSBORNE

Head Football Coach
Asst. Athletic Director

When you've won 136 games in 14 years, averaged 9.7 wins per year and landed a 14th consecutive bowl bid, things might take on a routine hue.

But there was absolutely nothing ho-hum about the way Coach Tom Osborne guided his 1986 Cornhuskers into the Sugar Bowl against Louisiana State. Rather, some observers may rate 1986 as Osborne's finest coaching job.

True, the Cornhuskers lost two games—both stunners, for different reasons—and wound up an even more surprising third in the Big Eight Conference. But the fact Nebraska was able to hang together and win nine games for the 18th consecutive year is a tremendous tribute to Osborne's coaching genius.

Plagued by an NCAA probe during the summer, Osborne faced the prospects of a decimated squad for the Florida State opener, only to win a last-second reprieve when it was discovered that comp tickets were a national dilemma. Adding to those woes was the loss of Heisman candidate Doug DuBose to knee surgery in fall camp after two straight 1,000-yard seasons.

That was only the beginning. Before the season was over Tom was to lose his top tight end for most of the season with a leg injury, two other I-backs to injuries, and his top wingback to a broken leg. In one game, for example, the Huskers started an I-back who opened the season as the No. 3 fullback because the top three I-backs were out of commission.

It was that kind of year, but Osborne and his staff kept shifting folks into the dike and the Cornhuskers kept winning. Only twice did the magic not work. Colorado pulled off an upset of gigantic proportions, beating the Huskers in Boulder for the first time in 26 years. And in the final game, Nebraska had Oklahoma's Sooners on the ropes until the final minutes before a field goal with nine seconds left denied the Huskers a tie for the Big Eight title, 20-17.

As a result of another outstanding season, Osborne carries a career record of 136-32-2, good for a winning percentage of .806, into the Sugar Bowl game with LSU. He currently ranks No. 3 in winning percentage behind Barry Switzer of Oklahoma and Joe Paterno of Penn State. By the way, in 14 years of coaching in the Big Eight, both Osborne and Switzer have each won 136 games.

Adding even more luster to Osborne's coaching career is the fact that the Cornhuskers have made history by producing three consecutive Outland Trophy winners (Dave Rimington in 1981 and 1982 and Dean Steinkuhler in 1983) and two consecutive Lombardi winners (Rimington in 1982 and Steinkuhler in 1983), while also winning the 1983 Heisman Trophy (Mike Rozier).

During Tom's 13-year career, the Huskers have produced 28 All-America players, and 23 Academic All-America players, as well as seven NCAA post-graduate scholarship winners and three National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete recipients.

Under Osborne, Nebraska has extended its string of consecutive top-10 rankings to 17, and consecutive bowl appearances to 17, top mark in the nation. His teams have won or shared the Big Eight title six times in the past ten years.

He has three times been named Big Eight coach-of-the-year (1975, 1978 and 1980), and four times been named District VI coach-of-the-year by the American Football Coaches Association and Kodak (1978, 1979, 1980 and 1983.) In addition, in 1978, he was named Bobby Dodds National Coach-of-the-Year by the Atlanta Quarterback Club and Delta Air Lines for his efforts toward the advancement of the higher and more notable aspects of college coaching. And in 1983, *Football News* named Osborne national Coach-of-the-Year.

In 1982, he was the first recipient of the Distinguished Nebraskalander Award from the Nebraskaland Foundation and in 1983 he was named national coach-of-the-year by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He's also an author, having published a book entitled More Than Winning in 1985.

Osborne, who graduated from Hastings College in 1959 before logging pro time with the Washington Redskins and San Francisco 49ers, joined Devaney as an assistant in 1962. In 1965 he received his Ph.D. in educational psychology, then elected football coaching as a career. He coached the Husker receivers and helped build the NU offense into one of the most potent in the nation during the 1970 and 1971 national championship years.

When Devaney announced his retirement from coaching in favor of full-time athletic director duties following the 1971 season, he announced Osborne as his designated successor. Osborne served as assistant head coach and director of recruiting in Devaney's final campaign in 1972, then took the head coaching reins in 1973.

An outstanding high school athlete at Hastings High School in the mid 1950s, Osborne was named Nebraska prep Athlete of the Year. Passing up major college offers, Osborne became the star quarterback and basketball player for Hastings College where both his father and grandfather had matriculated. At Hastings, he played both football and basketball for Coach Tom McLaughlin, who was elected to the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame in 1982. In 1959 he was named State College Athlete of the Year—the first athlete in Nebraska history to win both the high school and college honor.

Following graduation from Hastings with a bachelor's degree, Osborne played two years with the Washington Redskins and one year with the San Francisco 49ers as a flankerback before returning to Nebraska.

In 1962 he contacted Bob Devaney and secured a position as a graduate assistant on the Husker staff. He continued in that capacity until he obtained his master's degreein 1963. Continuing his dual role in education and football coaching, Osborne gained his doctorate in 1965 and, holding the academic rank of instructor of educational psychology in Teacher's College, was a half-time coach.

Married to the former Nancy Tederman, Osborne is the father of a son, Mike and daughters, Ann and Susie. Mike followed in his father's footsteps by playing football at Hastings College.

CHARLIE McBRIDE, Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Line Coach

Charlie McBride is finishing his 10th year on Coach Tom Osborne's Nebraska staff and his fifth as defensive coordinator. In 1984, McBride coordinated a defensive unit that led the nation in total defense and scoring defense, while ranking fourth against the run and fifth against the pass. Charlie has served as the Huskers' defensive line coach since coming to Nebraska in 1977 and, in that time, has produced such Big Eight stars as Rod Horn, Kerry Weinmaster and David Clark, and All-Americans Jim Skow and Danny Noonan. McBride was an All-Big Eight end and punter at Colorado and, after receiving his bachelor's degree from CU in 1962, he played one season for the Denver Broncos of the old AFL. He returned to Colorado and served as a graduate assistant with the Buffs before becoming head coach at Chicago's Fenger High School. He was an assistant coach for Frank Kush at Arizona State for three seasons (1967-69), then went on to Coach John Jardine's staff at Wisconsin where he was offensive line coach for six years (1970-75) and defensive line coach and defensive coordinator for one (1976). A native of Chicago, McBride was a four-sport letterman (football, basketball, baseball and track) at Morgan Park High School where he earned prep All-America honors in football and baseball. He's married to the former Deborah Anne Denniston of Barrington, Ill., and they have three sons—Mike, Jeff and David—and one grandson.

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GEORGE DARLINGTON, Secondary Coach

Coach Darlington has been with Tom Osborne from the start of the era, and is in his 14th year on the staff, but his first as secondary coach. His previous post was with the defensive ends, and he moved to the secondary following Bob Thornton's departure for private business. George helped develop four Husker All-America defensive ends—George Andrews, Jimmy Williams, Derrie Nelson, and Bob Martin. Prior to joining Osborne in 1973, George was an assistant coach at San Jose State for four years. Darlington started his college coaching career at Lebanon Valley (Pa.) College and after four years moved to Dartmouth for a year before going to San Jose State. He also coached two years at Johnson Regional High School in Clark, N.J. Following graduation from Rutgers University in 1961 (B.S. in history and physical education), George received his master's degree from Stanford University in 1962. While at Rutgers, Darlington lettered in football in 1959 and 1960, and also lettered twice in lacrosse, earning third-team All-America honors in 1961. George and his wife, Susan, have three children, Lisa, David and Julia.

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DAN YOUNG, Offensive Line/Kickers Coach

Dan Young became an offensive line coach with Milt Tenopir when Cletus Fischer retired from coaching after the 1985 season. Dan had served three years as head Freshman-JV coach, posting a 14-1-0 record.

Young came to Nebraska after six highly-successful years as the head coach at Omaha Westside High School where his Warriors were 55-11 from 1977-1982, reached the state championship game three times, and posted back-to-back 12-0 state championship seasons in 1981 and 1982. He began his coaching career as head coach at Barneston, Neb., High School from 1962-64 (25-3), then, after a year as an assistant coach at St. Paul, Neb., High School, he was an assistant at Omaha Westside for 11 years.

A graduate of Primrose, Neb., High School, Young received his bachelor's degree from Kearney State in 1962. He has done graduate work at Nebraska–Omaha, Missouri and Reed College, and received a master's degree in liberal studies from Reed in 1972.

He's married to the former Carolyn Sue Scaggs of Hastings, Neb., and they have a son, Jeff, and a daughter, Kris.

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GENE HUEY, Receivers Coach

A former standout player and veteran coach, Gene Huey is finishing his 10th year on Tom Osborne's staff. He came to Nebraska in 1977 after four years at Wyoming and three years at the University of New Mexico. A cousin of former Husker great Ben (Pope) Gregory, Huey was a star for Lloyd Eaton's University of Wyoming teams (1966-1968) before playing in the NFL with the St. Louis Cardinals, the Minnesota Vikings and the San Diego Chargers. A former receiving star, himself, as well as a standout defensive back, Huey has developed some outstanding Husker receivers—All-Americans Irving Fryar and Junior Miller and All-Big Eight stars such as Kenny Brown, Jamie Williams and Tim Smith—the latter a mainstay with the Houston Oilers. At Wyoming, Huey set 13 school receiving records and he was the first two-way player in the Western Athletic Conference to make All-WAC on offense (1967) and All-WAC on defense (1968). He co-captained the 1968 Wyoming team which won a third-straight WAC title. Gene played in the 1968 All-American and Shrine East-West games. A native of Uniontown, Pa., and a graduate of Uniontown High School, which produced Gregory and former Husker cage star Stuart Lantz in the same era, Huey received a bachelor's degree from Wyoming in 1971. Gene is a bachelor.

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JOHN MELTON, Linebackers Coach

The last member still going strong from the Bob Devaney crew which came to Nebraska from Wyoming in 1962, John Melton is finishing his 25th year at NU. It is his 15th season as varsity linebacker coach, sandwiched around four years (1973-76) as the tight ends and wingbacks coach for Tom Osborne.

John was Devaney's freshman coach from 1962 to 1966 and posted a record of 12-2-0. Such Husker stars as Mike Knox, Marc Munford, Jerry Murtaugh, Bob Terrio, Tom Ruud, Bob Nelson and Clete Pillen all developed under Melton's tutelage. John coached five years for Devaney at the University of Wyoming after posting a 47-13-0 record at Thermopolis, Wyo. High School. A three-year prep star at Union High in Burgettstown, Pa., Melton served in the U.S. Army infantry during World War II, then played three years as a standout fullback for the Wyoming Cowboys. He received his bachelor's degree in 1951. John and his wife, Beverly, are the parents of two daughters, Cindy and Margi, and a son, Mike, and the Meltons also have three grandchildren.

Phones: Office—402-472-3116; Home—423-6114.

FRANK SOLICH, Running Backs Coach

A former Husker fullback star, Frank Solich has used his playing experience to become a coach who has a knack for developing star running backs. Now in his eighth year on Tom Osborne's staff and his third as backfield coach, Frank had the distinction of coaching a Heisman Trophy winner (Mike Rozier) in his first season as skipper of the running backs.

Frank has coached six All-Big Eight running backs in his three years—Rozier in 1983, Jeff Smith and Doug DuBose in 1984, DuBose and Tom Rathman in 1985, and Keith Jones in 1986. Solich was himself an All-Big Eight fullback and co-captain of the Cornhuskers' undefeated 1965 team, despite weighing under 160 pounds. He held the single-game rushing record (204 yards against Air Force in 1965) until 1975, and also lettered in baseball. Following graduation, Frank coached at Holy Name High School in Omaha for two seasons then moved to Lincoln Southeast where he produced standout teams from 1968 to 1979. After joining the Nebraska staff, he was the head freshman coach for four years, posting a 19-1 record, including undefeated 5-0 seasons in 1980, 1981 and 1982. Solich prepped at Holy Name High in Cleveland, Ohio, and received his bachelor's degree from Nebraska in 1966. He received a master's degree from Nebraska in 1972. Frank married the former Pamela Wieck of Beatrice and they have two children, Cindy and Jeffrey.

Phones: Office—402-472-3116; Home—483-1402.

MILT TENOPIR, Offensive Line Coach

Now finishing his 13th year on Coach Tom Osborne's staff, Milt Tenopir has been instrumental in fashioning Nebraska's tradition of outstanding offensive lines. Tenopir teammed with Cletus Fischer from 1974-85, then with Dan Young in 1986, and during that time, Nebraska offensive linemen have piled up a remarkable list of honors—three-straight Outland-Lombardi winners (Dave Rimington and Dean Steinkuhler) and All-Americans Rik Bonness, Tom Davis, Kelvin Clark, Randy Schleusener, Mark Traynowicz and Harry Grimminger, plus a host of All-Big Eight selections. Tenopir posted a 76-34-1 record as a high school coach in Kansas, Colorado and Nebraska. He coached the Colorado All-Star Game in 1968 and coached in the Nebraska Shrine Bowl Game in 1972 and 1974. A native of Harvard, Neb., and a graduate of Harvard High, Tenopir received his bachelor's degree from Sterling (Kan.) College, and took graduate studies at Kansas State, Adams State and Western State. Milt is the father of three children, daughters Kim and Pamela, and son Todd.

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TONY SAMUEL, Defensive Ends Coach

The newest addition to the Husker staff is Tony Samuel. A defensive end for Nebraska in 1975-77, Samuel rejoined the Huskers in March as defensive ends coach. In 1984 and 1985, he served as the defensive ends coach for Stanford University where he coached Garin Veris, a second-round draft pick for the New England Patriots who played in the 1986 Super Bowl. Samuel spent the 1982 and 1983 football seasons at Western Michigan University as the defensive line coach. During his two-year stint, the Broncos led the Mid-American Conference in defense. A two-year starter for the Huskers, Samuels earned honorable mention All-Big Eight status and was named the Optimist Club defensive lineman of the year in 1977. Samuels earned his bachelor's degree in education from Nebraska in 1979, and served as a part-time assistant for the Huskers in 1978-81. He is married to the former Diane Ausdemore and they have two children, three-year-old Travis, and one-year-old Serena.

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SCOTT DOWNING, Freshman/Junior Varsity Coach

Scott Downing took over the all-important task of coaching the Nebraska freshman/junior varsity team in 1986, replacing Dan Young, who moves up to the varsity to coach the offensive line and kickers. Downing's first freshman team finished 4-1-0, losing only to the Air Force Junior Varsity. A former head coach at Sterling (Kan.) College, Downing, 29, was a graduate assistant on Young's staff the last two years and was defensive coordinator for 1985's 5-0 team. He'll also handle data processing for the varsity this fall.

A native of Kansas City, Mo., Downing graduated from Park Hill High School there in 1975, and went on to earn a bachelor's degree in history in 1979 from Sterling, the same school which graduated NU offensive line coach Milt Tenopir. Downing played offensive guard for the Warriors, then served as an assistant coach in 1980 and 1981 before becoming the head coach for two seasons. His 1982 and 1983 teams finished 7-2-1 and 6-2-0, and were both ranked in the NAIA Division II top 20.

He is married to the former Karen Allan of Vevay, Ind.

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JACK PIERCE, Off-Campus Recruiting

Jack Pierce is in his fourth season as the Cornhusker staff's off-campus recruiter after serving five years as an assistant football coach on Tom Osborne's staff. Prior to joining the Huskers, Jack had a successful prep coaching career at Cobb High School in Anniston, Ala. (1970-1972), and Anniston High (1973-1977) before serving one year at Lincoln High in Nebraska. A native of Watertown, Conn., where he attended high school, Pierce prepped at Sacred Heart High School in Waterbury, Conn., then lettered in football and baseball at Huron College in South Dakota. He received his bachelor's degree from Huron and his master's degree in educational administration from Jacksonville State University in Alabama in 1976. He also received a specialist degree in educational administration from Jacksonville State in 1977. Jack travels throughout the nation, serving as the Huskers, chief off-campus recruiter. He's married to the former Victoria Schinkel and they have a daughter, Audra Lee, and a son, Justin.

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DAVE GILLESPIE, On-Campus Recruiter

Dave Gillespie is in his first year of full-time status as the Huskers' on-campus recruiting coordinator, having taken over for Steve Pederson in March 1986. Gillespie earned three letters as an I-back for the Huskers from 1974-76, and earned his bachelor's degree from Nebraska in education in 1977. He stayed on as a graduate assistant coach for the Huskers one semester before he became the head assistant football coach at Lincoln High School, a position he held for four years. He was then named the head football coach at Hastings (Neb.) High School in 1982. Gillespie returned to the Husker football program as a graduate assistant to the recruiting coordinator in the fall of 1985. Gillespie is married to the former Anne Van Pelt and they have three daughters, Katherine, Nicole and Emily.

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Bill Kinney, Jack Noel
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Travis Turner

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Joni Holtzen

Mary Lyn Wininger

Pat Sudman

ADMINISTRATION

ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

BOB DEVANEY

Bob Devaney continues to lead the Nebraska Athletic Department with the same vigor, enthusiasm and administrative excellence that marked him as one of America's greatest football coaches during his colorful gridiron career.

Devaney is in his 25th year of providing drive, leadership and pride in the Cornhusker athletic program. He arrived in 1962, charged with the mission of building a successful football program, and he succeeded far beyond anyone's expectations. During an 11-year stint as Husker football coach, Devaney's teams won 101, lost only 20 and tied two for a winning percentage of .829. His career mark of 136-30-7 for .806 ranked him as the winningest coach in the nation at the time of his retirement in 1973. Devaney's teams won eight Big Eight titles and two national championships during the 1962-72 span, with his teams going to nine bowl games. He twice won four consecutive Big Eight titles.

Devaney's 1971 team, which posted a 13-0 record, and twice played for the national championship (beating Oklahoma, 35-31, in the "Game of the Century," and Alabama, 38-6, in the Orange Bowl) has been hailed as the best college team of all time. Bob was inducted into the National Football Foundation's Hall of Fame in 1981.

Since becoming athletic director in 1967, Devaney has brought the same success to the overall Husker athletic program that he brought to the football program. Under his leadership, Nebraska annually sets the pace in the Big Eight all-sports race with solid entries in all men's and women's sports.

Under Devaney's guidance, Memorial Stadium has been enlarged, artificial turf has been installed and replaced three times, a Stadium Office building was constructed, and sports facilities such as the Otto and Gladys Baumann Baseball Complex, Buck Beltzer Stadium, Ed Weir Track and the women's softball stadium have come into being.

It was Devaney's leadership, working in conjunction with the Nebraska Legislature, that resulted in the passage of a special cigarette tax to provide funds for a new athletic complex, the beautiful basketball arena-indoor track-swimming and other sports building which opened on the State Fair Grounds in 1976. University of Nebraska Regents recognized Devaney's contributions to that four-and-a-half-acre structure by naming it the Bob Devaney Sports Center in 1978.

Devaney received many other honors during his coaching career. He was named coach-of-the-year by the Walter Camp Foundation, the Football Writers of America, Football News and the Washington TD Club in 1971, and he was tabbed to coach

in numerous all-star games such as the Hula Bowl, Coaches All-America, Blue-Gray and Shrine East-West. He also coached the College All-Stars against the Dallas Cowboys in the 1972 Chicago game.

A graduate of Alma (Michigan) College in 1939, Devaney served as a high school coach at Big Beaver, Keego Harbor, Saginaw and Alpena in Michigan before joining Biggie Munn and Duffy Daugherty at Michigan State. In 1957 he became head coach at Wyoming where his teams posted a 35-10-5 record.

Devaney is married to the former Phyllis Wiley. They have a son, Mike, and a daughter, Pat, both graduates of the University of Nebraska. Bob and Phyllis also have two grandchildren.

NEBRASKA'S CHANCELLOR

Dr. Martin A. Massengale

Dr. Martin A. Massengale, became Chancellor of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln on June 1, 1981, after more than five years as Vice Chancellor for Agriculture and Natural Resources. Dr. Massengale, who has an active interest in intercollegiate athletics at all levels, was elected President of the College Football Association in June 1986.

A native of Kentucky, he received his B.S. degree from Western Kentucky University and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. Massengale came to Nebraska from the University of Arizona, where from 1958 he served successively as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor, and Head of the Department of Agronomy. In 1974, he was appointed Associate Dean of the College of Agriculture and Associate Director of the Arizona Agricultural Experiment Station.

Dr. Massengale is a nationally renowned agronomist. He has had extensive teaching, administrative, and research experience, and has served as an agricultural consultant both in the U.S. and foreign countries including Brazil, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, the U.S.S.R., and Indonesia.

He is a member of the National Merit Scholarship Board, the Board of Directors of the Council for Agricultural Science and Technology (CAST), the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Midwest Technology Development Institute, past chairperson of Section O (agriculture) of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and past Chairman of the Board of the American Registry of Certified Professionals in Agronomy, Crops and Soils (ARCPACS). He is past president of the Board of Directors of the MidAmerica Agricultural Consortium, Inc., which includes the University of Missouri, the University of Nebraska, Iowa State University, Oklahoma State University, and Kansas State University.

Dr. Massengale is past president of the Crop Science Society of America (CSSA) and has held many important posts in both CSSA and the American Society of Agronomy. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Lincoln Chamber of Commerce, the United Way of Lincoln, and Cornhusker Boys' State. He serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the College Football Association and member of the NCAA Presidents Commission.

Chancellor Massengale is listed in a number of publications including "American Men of Science," "Community Leaders of the World," "Who's Who in the World," and the "International Book of Honor."

The Massengales have two children, Alan and Jennifer.

INSTITUTIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Dr. James O'Hanlon

Dr. James O'Hanlon, Dean of Teachers College, became Nebraska's Institutional Representative to the Big Eight Conference and the National Collegiate Athletic Association, Sept. 1, 1982.

Dr. O'Hanlon has been a member of the University of Nebraska faculty since 1966 when he came to NU from Ohio University as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Secondary Education. He was elevated to Associate Professor in 1967 and to Professor in 1970.

While at Nebraska, he served as the director of the NUSTEP program for teacher education (1969-72), Coordinator of Freshman Programming for the Office of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs (1973-74), chaired the Governor's Committee on the use of Hiram Scott College (1973), chaired the Nebraska Coordinating Commission for Post-Secondary Education (1974-75), and served as president of the University of Nebraska–Lincoln Faculty Senate in 1981. In 1972, he received the Foundation Distinguished Teaching Award.

From 1975 to 1977, he chaired the Department of Physical Education and Recreation, then became Director of the new School of Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER). He served in that position until being named acting Dean of Teachers College, July 1, 1982. He was named Dean of Teachers College, May 1, 1983.

A native of Blair, Neb., O'Hanlon attended Grinnell College in Grinnell, Iowa, and received a bachelor's degree in history from Nebraska in 1957. He earned his master's degree in secondary education from Ohio State University in 1958, then served as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

From 1959 to 1962, he was a secondary school teacher in Parma, Ohio, and Fremont, Neb., then served as a part-time instructor at the University of Nebraska and Assistant Principal at University High School while pursuing an Ed.D. in secondary education and educational psychology, which he received from the University in 1964. He served as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Secondary Education at Ohio University from 1964 to 1966, and was named to the Honor Roll of Faculty at Ohio U. in 1965.

O'Hanlon and his wife, Gail, are the parents of three children, Greg, 22, Susan, 19, and Tim, 15.

NEBRASKA ATHLETIC

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Mike Arthur
Asst. Strength Coach

Don Bryant
Asst. AD, SID
Sports Center Mang.

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Team Physician

Scott Davis
Student Manager

Boyd Epley
Strength Coach

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Beef and Wheel
Club Director

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Business and Finance

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Randy Gobel
Asst. Strength Coach

Dr. Tom Heiser
Team Physician

Walt Johnson
Asst. Equipment Manager

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Asst. Business Manager

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Physical Therapist

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Physical Therapist

Helen Ruth Wagner
Ticket Manager

Jerry Weber
Asst. Trainer,
Physical Therapist

1986 Nebraska Alphabetical Roster

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No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate	Class	Hometown (High School)
59	Anderson, Jeff	C	6-3	240	1/17/66	So.	Norfolk, Neb.
55	Auxier, Doug	C	6-2	235	10/10/65	So.	Kansas City, Mo. (Park Hill)
87	**Banderas, Tom	TE	6-3	240	6/6/65	Jr.	Oak Grove, Mo.
44	Barrios, Gregg	K	5-9	165	4/11/68	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep)
18	Behrens, Vance	WB	5-9	185	1/4/65	Jr.	East Moline, Ill.
12	**Blakeman, Clete	QB	6-1	190	6/23/64	Jr.	Norfolk, Neb.
23	*Blazek, Mark	S	6-2	200	12/30/65	So.	Valparaiso, Neb. (Raymond Central)
33	**Brinson, Dana	WB	5-9	170	4/10/65	So.	Valdosta, Ga.
58	***Bryan, Dave**	**MG**	**6-2**	**260**	**4/22/64**	**Sr.**	**Osceola, Neb.**
45	***Carr, Chris**	**S**	**6-2**	**200**	**9/12/64**	**Sr.**	**Wellfleet, Neb. (Medicine Valley)**
7	**Clayton, McCathorn	QB	6-0	190	5/24/64	Jr.	Orlando, Fla. (Jones)
54	***Cooper, Mark**	**C**	**6-2**	**250**	**12/27/63**	**Sr.**	**Lincoln, Neb. (East)**
28	*Custard, John	CB	5-9	175	6/2/66	So.	Bellevue, Neb. (East)
26	*Dalton, Doug	FB	5-9	220	3/11/65	So.	Cortland, Ohio
32	***Davis, Brian**	**CB**	**6-2**	**190**	**8/31/63**	**Sr.**	**Phoenix, Ariz. (Cortez)**
81	***Diaz, Mark**	**TE**	**6-2**	**220**	**5/21/64**	**Sr.**	**Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)**
77	**Ernest, Jim**	**OT**	**6-3**	**255**	**1/29/66**	**So.**	**Lodgepole, Neb.**
47	***Etienne, LeRoy**	**LB**	**6-1**	**235**	**7/21/66**	**So.**	**New Iberia, La.**
10	***Fryar, Charles**	**CB**	**5-10**	**170**	**11/28/65**	**So.**	**Burlington, N.J.**
67	***Galois, Ron**	**OG**	**6-2**	**275**	**7/4/63**	**Sr.**	**Lincoln, Neb.**
86	**Gamble, Jason	SE	5-11	170	5/16/65	So.	Santa Barbara, Calif.
73	Green, Derrick	OT	6-0	285	10/18/65	Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Banning)
84	*Griffin, Willie	TE	6-3	255	3/24/66	So.	Monrovia, Calif.
94	Grobe, Corey	TE	6-3	240	10/9/65	So.	Oakland, Iowa
52	**Groskurth, Danny	DT	6-4	260	2/18/65	Jr.	Beemer, Neb. (Wisner-Pilger)
82	**Hawkins, Hendley	WB	5-10	185	1/3/65	Jr.	Los Angeles, Calif. (Crenshaw)
48	*Heibel, Micah	FB	6-2	220	9/1/65	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Pius X)
39	*Henning, Blake	LB	6-0	220	2/22/65	Jr.	Crete, Neb.
8	*Hicks, Lorenzo	CB	5-11	185	7/17/66	So.	Kansas City, Mo. (Southeast)
75	***Hoefler, Mike**	**OG**	**6-5**	**255**	**1/19/63**	**Sr.**	**Norfolk, Neb.**
91	***Holloway, Tony**	**DE**	**6-3**	**205**	**4/21/64**	**Sr.**	**Bellevue, Neb. (West)**
70	Hudson, Corey Bill	OT	6-3	265	12/2/64	Jr.	Belvidere, Neb. (Hebron)
80	**Jamrog, Jeff	DE	6-2	225	2/4/65	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Elkhorn Mt. Michael)
64	***Johnson, Brad**	**OT**	**6-3**	**265**	**1/2/64**	**Sr.**	**Ralston, Neb.**
6	***Jones, Keith	IB	5-10	190	2/5/66	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Central)
98	**Jones, Lee	DT	6-1	250	1/12/64	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Benson)
49	***Kaelin, Ken**	**FB**	**5-10**	**225**	**11/28/63**	**Sr.**	**Westerville, Neb. (Ansley)**
65	*Keeler, Andy	OG	6-3	265	11/16/65	So.	Omaha, Neb. (Burke)
40	**Kelley, Jon	IB	6-1	205	8/5/65	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
36	Kitrell, Barry	FB	5-10	225	9/30/65	So.	Ashland, Neb.
1	***Klein, Dale**	**K**	**6-1**	**195**	**12/7/63**	**Sr.**	**Seward, Neb.**
34	*Knox, Tyreese	IB	5-10	215	7/3/65	So.	Daly City, Calif. (Jefferson)
46	*Kroeker, John	P	5-11	130	11/11/65	So.	Henderson, Neb.

57	**Lightner, Keven	OT	6-2	285	7/4/65	Jr.	Hastings, Neb. (Adams Central)
72	***Maggard, Rob**	**OT**	**6-3**	**265**	**1/22/64**	**Sr.**	**Olathe, Kan.**
93	*Marco, Jon	DE	6-1	230	8/31/66	So.	Bellevue, Neb. (West)
61	**McCormick, John	OG	6-1	265	1/28/65	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Gross)
17	****Miller, Cleo**	**CB**	**5-9**	**180**	**9/15/65**	**Sr.**	**Dallas, Texas (Lincoln)**
43	**Millikan, Todd	TE	6-3	230	1/24/66	So.	Shenandoah, Iowa
42	Mills, Jeff	DE	6-4	215	10/8/68	Fr.	Montclair, N.J.
41	***Munford, Marc**	**LB**	**6-2**	**230**	**2/14/65**	**Sr.**	**Littleton, Colo. (Heritage)**
4	****Nelson, Ray**	**WB**	**5-8**	**185**	**4/6/64**	**Sr.**	**Omaha, Neb. (Tech)**
63	*Nichols, John	C	6-2	265	11/30/65	Jr.	Littleton, Colo. (Columbine)
95	***Noonan, Danny**	**MG**	**6-4**	**280**	**7/14/65**	**Sr.**	**Lincoln, Neb. (Northeast)**
90	Opie, Harlan	DE	6-2	215	8/18/64	Jr.	Great Bend, Kan.
97	Palmer, Tony	DT	6-7	275	4/14/65	Jr.	Omaha, Neb. (Westside)
74	***Parker, Stan**	**OG**	**6-5**	**270**	**3/19/64**	**Sr.**	**Bellevue, Neb. (East)**
35	****Parsons, Kevin**	**LB**	**6-3**	**240**	**12/18/64**	**Sr.**	**Springfield, Mo. (Glendale)**
96	*Pete, Lawrence	MG	6-2	280	1/18/66	So.	Wichita, Kan. (South)
92	*Putnam, Sean	MG	6-3	255	9/2/66	So.	O'Neill, Neb.
20	*Rodgers, Terry	IB	5-7	165	12/27/67	Fr.	National City, Calif. (Sweetwater)
78	*Rother, Tim	DT	6-6	270	9/28/65	Jr.	Bellevue, Neb. (East)
3	****Schneider, Gary**	**SS**	**6-0**	**195**	**10/25/63**	**Sr.**	**O'Neill, Neb. (St. Mary's)**
13	Schnitzler, Craig	K-P	5-7	220	8/5/64	Jr.	Battle Creek, Neb.
85	***Schnitzler, Robb**	**SE**	**5-9**	**175**	**7/25/63**	**Sr.**	**Battle Creek, Neb.**
53	****Sellentin, Jeff**	**C**	**6-3**	**255**	**10/31/63**	**Sr.**	**West Point, Neb.**
16	Settles, Bill	CB	6-0	180	6/22/66	So.	Lincoln, Neb. (East)
51	***Shaw, Pat**	**LB**	**6-1**	**245**	**12/2/63**	**Sr.**	**Aurora, Neb.**
2	**Sheppard, Von	WB	5-10	185	2/28/65	Jr.	St. Paul, Minn. (Central)
19	***Siebler, Bryan**	**S**	**6-0**	**195**	**4/10/64**	**Sr.**	**Fremont, Neb.**
66	Skradis, Kurt	DT	6-3	250	11/11/65	So.	Omaha, Neb. (Bryan)
62	*Sledge, Bob	OT	6-2	265	12/29/65	So.	Omaha, Neb. (Gross)
99	**Smith, Neil	DT	6-6	250	4/10/66	Jr.	New Orleans, La. (McDonogh 35)
88	**Smith, Rod	SE	6-2	195	5/23/65	Jr.	Thornton, Colo.
76	***Spachman, Chris**	**DT**	**6-4**	**265**	**12/25/63**	**Sr.**	**Kansas City, Mo. (Bishop Miege)**
56	Stanard, Steve	DE	6-1	220	6/13/66	So.	Lincoln, Neb. (Southeast)
9	**Taylor, Steve	QB	5-11	195	1/7/67	So.	San Diego, Calif. (Lincoln)
29	****Thayer, Dan**	**S**	**6-2**	**195**	**11/25/63**	**Sr.**	**Grand Island, Neb.**
89	**Thomas, Broderick	DE	6-2	235	2/20/67	So.	Houston, Texas (Madison)
11	**Tomjack, Jeff	SS	6-1	205	9/17/63	Jr.	Ewing, Neb.
14	Toner, Jim	P	6-0	185	12/9/65	So.	Grand Island, Neb.
83	***Tyrer, Brad**	**DE**	**6-2**	**220**	**2/6/63**	**Sr.**	**Kansas City, Mo. (Rockhurst)**
27	Walker, Cartier	CB	5-10	180	5/11/65	So.	Atlantic City, N.J. (Holy Spirit)
5	***Washington, Brian	SS	6-1	220	9/10/65	Jr.	Highland Springs, Va.
37	**Welniak, Doug	LB	5-11	220	9/8/64	Jr.	Elyria, Neb. (Ord)
69	****Welter, Tom**	**OT**	**6-5**	**265**	**2/24/64**	**Sr.**	**Yankton, S.D.**
25	*Wheeler, Jeff	IB	5-10	175	6/16/66	So.	Urbandale, Iowa
24	*Wiley, Dante	LB/P	6-2	215	2/13/66	So.	Jeannette, Pa.
15	*Wooten, Wendell	QB	6-1	200	9/7/65	So.	West Texas City, Texas (La Marque)
31	Worden, Jamie	WB	5-10	180	12/14/65	So.	Scottsbluff, Neb.
68	*Young, Jake	OL	6-5	240	3/22/68	Fr.	Midland, Texas (Robert E. Lee)

*Denotes letters earned.
Seniors in boldface.

NEBRASKA ALL-AMERICANS

1914—Vic Halligan
1915—Guy Chamberlin
1924—Ed Weir
1925—Ed Weir
1927—Lon Stiner
1928—Dan McMullen
1929—Ray Richards
1930—Hugh Rhea
1932—Lawrence Ely
1933—George Sauer
1936—Sam Francis
1937—Fred Shirey
1940—Waren Alfson
1940—Forrest Behm
1949—Tom Novak
1950—Bobby Reynolds
1952—Jerry Minick
1963—Bob Brown
1964—Larry Kramer
1965—Tony Jeter
1965—Freeman White
1965—Walter Barnes
1966—LaVerne Allers
1966—Larry Wachholtz
1966—Wayne Meylan
1967—Wayne Meylan
1968—Joe Armstrong
1970—Bob Newton
1971—Larry Jacobson
1971—Johnny Rodgers
1971—Rich Glover
1971—Willie Harper
1971—Jerry Tagge
1971—Jeff Kinney
1972—Rich Glover
1972—Willie Harper
1972—Johnny Rodgers
1973—John Dutton
1973—Daryl White
1974—Rik Bonness
1974—Marvin Crenshaw
1974—Dave Humm
1975—Rik Bonness
1975—Bob Martin
1975—Wonder Monds
1976—Dave Butterfield
1976—Vince Ferragamo
1976—Mike Fultz
1977—Tom Davis
1978—Kelvin Clark
1978—George Andrews
1979—Junior Miller
1980—Jarvis Redwine
1980—Derrie Nelson
1980—Randy Schleusener
1981—Jimmy Williams
1981—Dave Rimington
1982—Dave Rimington
1982—Mike Rozier
1983—Irving Fryar
1983—Mike Rozier
1983—Dean Steinkuhler
1984—Bret Clark
1984—Mark Traynowicz
1984—Harry Grimminger
1985—Bill Lewis
1985—Jim Skow
1986—Danny Noonan

Husker All-America middle-guard Danny Noonan (95) and Broderick Thomas (89) move in on Oregon quarterback Pete Nelson.

Senior fullback Ken Kaelin scores on a 28-yard run against Missouri.

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Game No. 1

NEBRASKA 34, FLORIDA STATE 17

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 6—Visions of Seminole upsets past danced in the minds of Nebraska fans when Sammie Smith raced 57 yards to give Florida State a 14-10 lead with 33 seconds left in the first half. But a third upset in four Memorial Stadium visits was not in the cards for FSU as the Huskers outscored the Seminoles, 24-3, in the second half, with the NU defense holding the visitors to minus-two yards after halftime. Nebraska posted a 34-17 win in the first-ever Memorial Stadium night game.

Florida State	7	7	3	0	— 17
Nebraska	0	10	14	10	— 34

First Quarter

FSU—Victor Floyd 30 pass from Chip Ferguson (Derek Schmidt kick), 2:49.

Second Quarter

Neb.—Steve Taylor 20 run (Dale Klein kick), 5:49.
Neb.—FG Klein 33, 14:09.
FSU—Sammie Smith 57 run (Schmidt kick), 14:27.

Third Quarter

FSU—FG Schmidt 46, 4:48.
Neb.—Taylor 6 run (Klein kick), 9:45.
Neb.—Todd Millikan 12 pass from Taylor (Klein kick), 14:15.

Fourth Quarter

Neb.—Von Sheppard 46 pass from Taylor (Klein kick), 4:51.
Neb.—FG Klein 38, 13:37.
A—75,865.

	FSU	Neb.
First downs	8	24
Rushes-yards	31-76	63-297
Passing yards	97	130
Return yards	−3	26
Passes	9-17-0	10-16-0
Sacks by	0-0	7-44
Punts	9-35	3-34
Fumbles-lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	7-66	10-101
Time of possession	22:42	37:18

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Florida State, Smith 9-72, Floyd 5-44. Nebraska, Taylor 22-139, Keith Jones 17-58.

Passing—Florida State, Ferguson 9-17-0-97. Nebraska, Taylor 10-16-0-130.

Receiving—Florida State, Herb Gainer 2-23, Paul Carter 2-13. Nebraska, Sheppard 2-54, Willie Griffin 2-21, Dana Brinson 2-11.

Missed field goals—Nebraska, Klein 49.

Game No. 2

NEBRASKA 59, ILLINOIS 14

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., Sept. 20—The first play of the game set the tone for the entire night in Nebraska's 59-14 romp over Illinois. Illini quarterback Chris Lamb took the game's first snap, dropped back to pass, but his aerial landed in the hands of Husker cornerback Brian Davis, who raced untouched 32 yards into the end zone. That gave Nebraska a 7-0 lead in the first 12 seconds. The Huskers built the lead to 28-0 at the end of the first quarter, and they were never seriously threatened.

Nebraska	28	10	14	7	— 59
Illinois	0	7	0	7	— 14

First Quarter

Neb.—Brian Davis 32 interception return (Dale Klein kick), 0:12.
Neb.—Steve Taylor 6 run (Klein kick), 2:17.
Neb.—Keith Jones 78 run (Klein kick), 10:33.
Neb.—Micah Heibel 5 run (Klein kick), 13:28.

Second Quarter

Ill.—Jerry Reese 7 pass from Chris Lamb (Chris Siambekos kick), 3:45.
Neb.—Jones 1 run (Klein kick), 7:41.
Neb.—FG Klein 23, 14:50.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Taylor 1 run (Klein kick), 7:10.
Neb.—Willie Griffin 1 pass from McCathern Clayton (Craig Schnitzler kick), 14:44.

Fourth Quarter

Ill.—James Gordon 17 pass from Brian Menkhausen (Siambekos kick), 5:32.
Neb.—Terry Rodgers 2 run (Schnitzler kick).
A—75,865.

	Neb.	Ill.
First downs	24	12
Rushes-yards	64-470	29-3
Passing yards	73	204
Return yards	72	13
Passes	5-15-1	18-40-1
Sacks by	2-18	1-6
Punts	3-40	7-41
Fumbles-lost	5-2	2-2
Penalties-yards	10-70	7-45
Time of possession	31:48	28:12

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Nebraska, Jones 16-168, Rodgers 10-65, Dana Brinson 3-57, Ken Kaelin 4-40. Illinois, Keith Jones 7-8.

Passing—Nebraska, Clete Blakeman 3-8-1-47, Clayton 1-2-0-21, Taylor 1-5-0-5. Illinois, Lamb 12-26-1-107, Menkhausen 6-14-0-97.

Receiving—Nebraska, Griffin 1-21, Tom Banderas 1-20. Illinois, Stephen Pierce 9-73, Stan Fit 3-37, Gordon 2-21, Reese 2-18.

Missed field goals—none.

Game No. 3

NEBRASKA 48, OREGON 14

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 27—Nebraska overcame a first-quarter scare from Oregon and rolled to a 48-14 win over the Ducks. Sophomore tight end Todd Millikan caught two touchdown passes, and sophomore defensive end Broderick Thomas scored when he picked up a teammate's fumble following an interception. There were two disappointments for NU, when wingback Von Sheppard broke a fibula, and when place-kicker Dale Klein's consecutive PAT string ended at 60, eight short of the school record.

Oregon	7	0	0	7	— 14
Nebraska	14	21	13	0	— 48

First Quarter

Neb.—Keith Jones 1 run* (Dale Klein kick), 3:59.

Neb.—Todd Millikan 22 pass from Steve Taylor (Klein kick), 6:46.

Ore.—Alan Jackson 25 pass from Chris Miller (Matt MacLeod kick), 11:01.

Second Quarter

Neb.—Micah Heibel 4 run (Klein kick), 0:03.

Neb.—Clete Blakeman 1 run (Klein kick), 4:20.

Neb.—Broderick Thomas 4 interception return** (Klein kick), 11:33.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Jones 10 run (Klein kick failed), 6:03.

Neb.—Millikan 29 pass from Blakeman (Klein kick), 9:56.

Fourth Quarter

Ore.—James Harper 1 run (MacLeod kick), 13:57.

A—76,185.

*Jones scored with recovery of Taylor fumble.

**Thomas scored with recovery of Jeff Tomjack fumble.

	Ore.	Neb.
First downs	15	23
Rushes-yards	33-47	63-301
Passing yards	224	95
Return yards	0	146
Passes	16-37-4	6-17-2
Sacks by	0-0	2-12
Punts	6-50	4-41
Fumbles-lost	3-2	5-1
Penalties-yards	7-45	5-60
Time of possession	33:18	26:42

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Oregon, James Harper 10-37. Nebraska, Taylor 4-85, Jones 19-67, Heibel 7-55.

Passing—Oregon, Pete Nelson 10-20-1-114, Miller 6-17-3-110. Nebraska, Blakeman 3-5-0-55, Taylor 3-10-1-40.

Receiving—Oregon, Harper 4-29, J.J. Birden 3-72, Tony Obee 2-49, Rod Green 2-42. Nebraska, Millikan 2-51, Rod Smith 2-21.

Missed field goals—none.

Game No. 4

NEBRASKA 27, SOUTH CAROLINA 24

COLUMBIA, S.C., Oct. 4—Husker safety Bryan Siebler intercepted a Todd Ellis pass at the Nebraska 10-yard line with 38 seconds left to preserve a 27-24 Nebraska win over South Carolina. There were four lead changes in the fourth quarter of the nail-biter, the last coming on Steve Taylor's 11-yard touchdown pass to Todd Millikan with 1:26 left in the game. The

winning touchdown was set up when Broderick Thomas forced a Gamecock fumble, which teammate Brian Davis recovered at the USC 26 with two minutes to go.

Nebraska	10	3	0	14	— 27
South Carolina	0	7	3	14	— 24

First Quarter

Neb.—Keith Jones 5 run (Dale Klein kick), 6:50.

Neb.—FG Klein 37, 12:14.

Second Quarter

USC—Harold Green 56 pass from Todd Ellis (Scott Hagler kick), 10:13.

Neb.—FG Klein 28, 14:32.

Third Quarter

USC—FG Hagler 38, 11:07.

Fourth Quarter

USC—Green 2 run (Hagler kick), 3:54.

Neb.—Dana Brinson 57 run (Klein kick), 5:31.

USC—Green 7 run (Hagler kick), 10:00.

Neb.—Todd Millikan 11 pass from Steve Taylor (Klein kick), 13:34.

A—73,109.

	Neb.	USC
First downs	20	24
Rushes-yards	52-242	39-91
Passing yards	196	286
Return yards	57	2
Passes	9-19-0	26-38-1
Sacks by	4-30	1-6
Punts	5-46	5-45
Fumbles-lost	1-1	3-2
Penalties-yards	8-70	5-30
Time of possession	27:36	32:24

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Nebraska, Jones 26-103, Brinson 3-69, Taylor 15-53. South Carolina, Green 16-43.

Passing—Nebraska, Taylor 9-19-0-196. South Carolina, Ellis 26-38-1-286.

Receiving—Nebraska, Millikan 2-84, Brinson 2-30, Robb Schnitzler 2-35, Jason Gamble 2-25. South Carolina, Sterling Sharpe 10-98, Hardin Brown 6-54, Green 2-52.

Missed field goals—none.

Game No. 5

NEBRASKA 30, OKLAHOMA STATE 10

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 11—In another Memorial Stadium night game, Nebraska ran its record to 5-0 as the Huskers opened Big Eight play with a 30-10 win over Oklahoma State. The Husker defense gave up only a field goal as OSU's touchdown came on a second-quarter pass interception. The Cowboys pulled within 14-10 later in the quarter before Nebraska pulled away. It was the Huskers' 13th-straight win over Oklahoma State as they remained unbeaten against the Cowboys since 1961.

Oklahoma State	0	10	0	0	— 10
Nebraska	14	7	9	0	— 30

First Quarter

Neb.—Keith Jones 1 run (Dale Klein kick), 4:23.

Neb.—Rod Smith 63 punt return (Klein kick), 6:43.

Second Quarter

OSU—Jerry Deckard 45 interception return (Brad Dennis kick), 2:28.

OSU—FG Joe O'Donnell 27, 10:18.

Neb.—Jones 5 run (Klein kick), 12:04.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Clete Blakeman 1 run (Klein kick), 8:55.

Neb.—Safety, Oklahoma State recovered own fumble in end zone, 9:55.

A—76,041.

	OSU	Neb.
First downs	14	22
Rushes-yards	38-62	61-287
Passing yards	167	46
Return yards	45	107
Passes	11-29-1	3-9-2
Sacks by	0-0	4-26
Punts	7-38	4-39
Fumbles-lost	3-1	3-2
Penalties-yards	8-75	3-25
Time of possession	28:09	31:51

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Oklahoma State, Thurman Thomas 22-38. Nebraska, Jones 14-85, Micah Heibel 16-72, Steve Taylor 11-51.

Passing—Oklahoma State, Mike Gundy 7-14-0-109, Ronnie Williams 4-15-1-58. Nebraska, Taylor 3-9-2-46.

Receiving—Oklahoma State, Bobby Riley 3-68, J.R. Dillard 3-46, Hart Lee Dykes 2-26, Kenneth Brown 2-17. Nebraska, Todd Millikan 1-17, Jason Gamble 1-17.

Missed field goals—Oklahoma State, Dennis 49. Nebraska, Klein 55.

Game No. 6

NEBRASKA 48, MISSOURI 17

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 18—Missouri took a 3-0 first-quarter lead on a Tom Whelihan field goal, but Dale Klein answered with two for Nebraska early in the second period to give the Huskers the lead for good. Nebraska then scored six-straight touchdowns, the last a 92-yard sprint by Tyreese Knox, and coasted to a 48-17 win over Mizzou. Klein's field goals gave him 24 in his career, breaking the old school record of 22, while Knox's run was the fourth-longest in Nebraska history.

Missouri	3	0	0	14	— 17
Nebraska	0	20	21	7	— 48

First Quarter

Mo.—FG Tom Whelihan 29, 6:22.

Second Quarter

Neb.—FG Dale Klein 44, 0:47.

Neb.—FG Klein 21, 3:43.

Neb.—Keith Jones 10 run (Klein kick), 7:41.

Neb.—Ken Kaelin 28 run (Klein kick), 14:24.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Jones 1 run (Klein kick), 5:03.

Neb.—Dana Brinson 63 run (Klein kick), 6:54.

Neb.—Tyreese Knox 2 run (Klein kick), 11:08.

Fourth Quarter

Neb.—Knox 92 run (Gregg Barrios kick), 5:24.

Mo.—Brent Peterson 4 pass from Jeff Henningsen (Henningsen pass failed), 9:32.

Mo.—Robert Delpino 50 pass from Henningsen (Herbert Johnson run), 11:54.

A—76,005.

	Mo.	Neb.
First downs	13	24
Rushes-yards	44-171	59-414
Passing yards	122	110
Return yards	2	77
Passes	9-20-2	7-15-0
Sacks by	2-11	2-11
Punts	8-42	4-45
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-yards	10-80	10-75
Time of possession	27:03	32:57

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Missouri, Vernon Boyd 3-68, Nebraska, Knox 8-127, Brinson 4-83, Jones 15-73, Kaelin 5-45.

Passing—Missouri, Henningsen 9-20-2-122, Nebraska, Steve Taylor 6-12-0-101.

Receiving—Missouri, Delpino 2-72, Peterson 2-6. Nebraska, Rod Smith 2-40, Jason Gamble 2-30.

Missed field goals—none.

Game No. 7

COLORADO 20, NEBRASKA 10

BOULDER, Colo., Oct. 25—Colorado's defense held Nebraska to 123 rushing yards, the Huskers' lowest in over eight years, and the Buffaloes pulled off a stunning, 20-10, upset of the third-ranked Huskers at Boulder. Nebraska's defense played an overall fine game, but was caught flat-footed on a 39-yard touchdown reverse and a 52-yard halfback pass for a touchdown. It was Colorado's first win over Nebraska since 1967 and the Buffs' first win over the Huskers in Boulder since 1960.

Nebraska	0	0	7	3	— 10
Colorado	7	3	0	10	— 20

First Quarter

Colo.—Jeff Campbell 39 run (Dave DeLine kick), 10:21.

Second Quarter

Colo.—FG DeLine 37, 10:27.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Steve Taylor 2 run (Dale Klein kick), 14:00.

Fourth Quarter

Colo.—Lance Carl 52 pass from O.C. Oliver (DeLine kick), 0:08.

Neb.—FG Klein 29, 2:46.

Colo.—FG DeLine 35, 7:16.

A—52,440.

	Neb.	Colo.
First downs	16	14
Rushes-yards	43-123	58-182
Passing yards	139	81
Return yards	52	43
Passes	11-27-2	2-5-0
Sacks by	0-0	3-47
Punts	8-38	7-45
Fumbles-lost	3-2	5-3
Penalties-yards	7-52	7-60
Time of possession	27:13	32:47

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Nebraska, Tyreese Knox 10-55, Colorado, Campbell, 2-53, Oliver 18-47, Mark Hatcher 21-40.

Passing—Nebraska, Taylor 7-20-2-102, Clete Blakeman 4-6-0-37. Colorado, Oliver 1-1-0-52, Hatcher 1-3-0-29.

Receiving—Nebraska, Dana Brinson 3-52, Rod Smith 2-29, Todd Millikan 2-25, Keith Jones 2-18. Colorado, Carl 1-52, Jon Embree 1-29.

Missed field goals—Nebraska, Klein 47. Colorado, DeLine 42.

Game No. 8

NEBRASKA 38, KANSAS STATE 0

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 1—Nebraska jumped to a 17-0 first-quarter lead, then battled the elements through the second period as an early snowfall dumped a little over an inch on Memorial Stadium's artificial turf. The field was cleared at halftime and the Huskers went on to post a 38-0 win over Kansas State. The NU defense yielded just 106 total offense yards and seven first downs. I-back Keith Jones enjoyed the sledding to the tune of 109 rushing yards and a pair of touchdowns.

Kansas State	0	0	0	0	— 0
Nebraska	17	0	14	7	— 38

First Quarter

Neb.—Keith Jones 2 run (Dale Klein kick), 3:43.
Neb.—Steve Taylor 14 run (Klein kick), 6:25.
Neb.—FG Klein 26, 11:05.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Taylor 1 run (Klein kick), 6:33.
Neb.—Robb Schnitzler 33 pass from Taylor (Klein kick), 14:09.

Fourth Quarter

Neb.—Jones 1 run (Klein kick), 3:10.
A—75,893.

	KSU	Neb.
First downs	7	22
Rushes-yards	48-90	60-325
Passing yards	16	60
Return yards	0	116
Passes	2-8-2	3-8-2
Sacks by	0-0	0-0
Punts	10-36	3-36
Fumbles-lost	3-0	4-3
Penalties-yards	5-40	7-63
Time of possession	28:45	31:15

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Kansas State, Tony Jordan 25-45, Todd Moody 15-28. Nebraska, Jones 18-109, Taylor 11-68, Ken Kaelin 11-54, Micah Heibel 4-42.

Passing—Kansas State, Tim Hanson 1-2-1-9, Randy Williams 1-6-1-7. Nebraska, Taylor 3-4-1-60.

Receiving—Kansas State, Todd Elder 1-9, Moody 1-7. Nebraska, Schnitzler 1-33, Rod Smith 1-17.

Missed field goals—Kansas State, Mark Porter 27.

Game No. 9

NEBRASKA 35, IOWA STATE 14

AMES, Iowa, Nov. 8—Nebraska drove the length of the field after the opening kickoff to take a 7-0 lead, then found itself in a stalemate with fired-up Iowa State. The Cyclones pulled into a 7-7 tie late in the first half, and went up 14-7 after recovering a Husker fumble on the ensuing kickoff. A fiery halftime speech by Coach Tom Osborne brought the Huskers back to life, though, and Nebraska rallied for a 35-14 win as fullback Ken Kaelin and I-back Tyreese Knox each rushed for 126 yards.

Nebraska	7	0	14	14	— 35
Iowa State	0	14	0	0	— 14

First Quarter

Neb.—Steve Taylor 1 run (Dale Klein kick), 7:46.

Second Quarter

ISU—Joe Henderson 1 run (Rick Frank kick), 12:58.
ISU—Robbie Minor 19 pass from Alex Espinoza (Frank kick), 14:27.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Taylor 5 run (Klein kick), 9:03.
Neb.—Ken Kaelin 5 run (Klein kick), 14:57.

Fourth Quarter

Neb.—Robb Schnitzler 70 punt return (Klein kick), 14:23.
A—48,007.

	Neb.	ISU
First downs	23	11
Rushes-yards	74-310	36-126
Passing yards	−3	74
Return yards	91	31
Passes	1-9-0	10-24-1
Sacks by	4-30	2-7
Punts	6-38	6-46
Fumbles-lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-yards	2-25	7-50
Time of possession	36:07	23:53

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Nebraska, Kaelin 25-126, Tyreese Knox 29-126, Taylor 12-43. Iowa State, Curtis Warren 5-74, Henderson 14-34.

Passing—Nebraska, Taylor 1-9-0-minus-3. Iowa State, Espinoza 9-23-1-93.

Receiving—Nebraska, Knox 1-minus-3. Iowa State, Tom Schulting 3-37, Minor 2-30, Eddie Brown 2-23.

Missed field goals—none.

Game No. 10

NEBRASKA 70, KANSAS 0

LAWRENCE, Kan., Nov. 15—Nebraska scored two touchdowns before Kansas took a center snap, and the Huskers rolled to a 70-0 romp in a game that marked the worst defeat in Jayhawk football history and Nebraska's biggest shutout win since World War I. Junior Clete Blakeman threw three touchdown passes and ran for another while subbing for banged up Steve Taylor at quarterback. I-back Keith Jones came back from hand surgery to rush for a game-high 117 yards, leading a parade of seven Husker runners over 40 yards. The NU defense had a 10-year best of minus-21 rushing yards.

Nebraska	**21**	**14**	**21**	**14**	**—**	**70**
Kansas	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**—**	**0**

First Quarter

Neb.—Keith Jones 2 run (Dale Klein kick), 5:39.

Neb.—Jones 20 run (Klein kick), 5:50.

Neb.—Dana Brinson 19 pass from Clete Blakeman (Klein kick), 12:07.

Second Quarter

Neb.—Tom Banderas 10 pass from Blakeman (Klein kick), 6:58.

Neb.—Jeff Wheeler 2 run (Klein kick), 12:43.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Blakeman 29 run (Klein kick), 2:58.

Neb.—Banderas 11 pass from Blakeman (Klein kick), 8:30.

Neb.—McCathorn Clayton 27 run (Klein kick), 11:02.

Fourth Quarter

Neb.—Jon Kelley 15 run (Klein kick), 3:23.

Neb.—Kelley 32 run (Klein kick), 11:39.

A—48,800.

	Neb.	Kan.
First downs	34	9
Rushes-yards	71-490	22-(−21)
Passing yards	97	121
Return yards	37	0
Passes	9-13-0	14-28-1
Sacks by	3-42	0-0
Punts	1-43	10-38
Fumbles-lost	2-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	5-37	6-44
Time of possession	35:16	24:44

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Nebraska, Jones 15-117, Blakeman 11-61, Kelley 4-55, Clayton 8-53, Micah Heibel 4-45, Wheeler 6-41, Doug Dalton 4-40. Kansas, Arnold Snell 13-37.

Passing—Nebraska, Blakeman 8-12-0-97. Kansas, Kelly Donohoe 14-28-1-121.

Receiving—Nebraska, Banderas 4-39, Brinson 1-19. Kansas, Willie Vaughn 4-52, Snell 3-2, Peda Samuel 2-17, Tom Quick 2-12.

Missed field goals—none.

Game No. 11

OKLAHOMA 20, NEBRASKA 17

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 22—Tim Lashar's 31-yard field goal with six seconds left capped an Oklahoma rally from a 17-7 deficit in the final 11 minutes and enabled the Sooners to claim their second-straight undefeated Big Eight title and a third-straight Orange Bowl berth. OU drove 94 yards on 11 plays in 1:26 to tie the game at 17-all on a 17-yard touchdown pass from Jamelle Holieway to Keith Jackson

with 1:22 left, forced a Nebraska punt, then got within field-goal range on a third-down, 41-yard pass from Holieway to Jackson with nine seconds to go.

Oklahoma	7	0	0	13	—	20
Nebraska	7	3	7	0	—	17

First Quarter

Neb.—Keith Jones 2 run (Dale Klein kick), 8:33.

Okla.—Jamelle Holieway 4 run (Tim Lashar kick), 12:24.

Second Quarter

Neb.—FG Klein 32, 10:14.

Third Quarter

Neb.—Rod Smith 25 pass from Steve Taylor (Klein kick), 4:12.

Fourth Quarter

Okla.—FG Lashar 22, 4:21.

Okla.—Keith Jackson 17 pass from Holieway (Lashar kick), 13:38.

Okla.—FG Lashar 31, 14:54.

A—76,198.

	Okla.	Neb.
First downs	18	16
Rushes-yards	64-224	44-101
Passing yards	147	131
Return yards	23	61
Passes	6-12-1	9-20-1
Sacks by	3-21	1-12
Punts	5-40	7-38
Fumbles-lost	8-2	5-2
Penalties-yards	7-65	9-79
Time of possession	33:09	26:51

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing—Oklahoma, Holieway 25-75, Lydell Carr 13-66, Earl Johnson 10-41. Nebraska, Taylor 23-44, Jones 12-41.

Passing—Oklahoma, Holieway 6-12-1-147. Nebraska, Taylor 9-20-1-131.

Receiving—Oklahoma, Jackson 3-87, Derrick Sheppard 2-52. Nebraska, Dana Brinson 2-54, Smith 2-36.

Missed field goals—none.

FINAL 1986 NEBRASKA STATISTICS

(11 Games)

GAME DATE	NEBR SCORE	OPPONENT	OPPONENT SCORE	ATTENDANCE	SITE
09/06/86	**34**	**Florida State**	**17**	**75,865**	**H**
09/20/86	**59**	**Illinois**	**14**	**75,865**	**A**
09/27/86	**48**	**Oregon**	**14**	**76,185**	**H**
10/04/86	**27**	**South Carolina**	**24**	**73,109**	**A**
10/11/86	**30**	**Oklahoma State**	**10**	**76,041**	**H**
10/18/86	**48**	**Missouri**	**17**	**76,005**	**H**
10/25/86	**10**	**Colorado**	**20**	**52,440**	**A**
11/01/86	**38**	**Kansas State**	**0**	**75,893**	**H**
11/08/86	**35**	**Iowa State**	**14**	**48,007**	**A**
11/15/86	**70**	**Kansas**	**0**	**40,600**	**A**
11/22/86	**17**	**Oklahoma**	**20**	**76,198**	**H**
TOTAL:	**416**		**150**	**753,968**	
AVERAGE:	**37.8**		**13.6**	**68,543**	

OVERALL: 9 - 2 - 0 **BIG EIGHT:** 5 - 2 - 0 **HOME:** 456,187 (76,031)

HOME: 5 - 1 - 0 **AWAY:** 4 - 1 - 0 **AWAY:** 298,221 (59,644)

SCORE BY QUARTERS

Nebraska	116	88	134	76	— 416
Opponents	31	48	6	65	— 150

TEAM STATISTICS	NU	Opp.
Time of Possession	344:54	315:06
Avg. Time of Possession	31:21	28:39
Total First Downs	248	145
By Rush	185	61
By Pass	47	66
By Penalty	16	18
Total Offensive Yards	4434	2592
Avg. Gain Per Game	403.1	235.6
Total Plays	824	708
Avg. Plays Per Game	74.9	64.4
Avg. Gain Per Play	5.4	3.7
Net Yards Rushing	3360	1053
Avg. Gain Per Game	305.5	95.7
Rushing Attempts	656	442
Avg. Gain Per Rush	5.1	2.4
Yards Gained Rushing	3655	1498
Yards Lost Rushing	295	445

Net Yards Passing	1074	1539
Avg. Gain Per Game	97.6	139.9
Avg. Gain Per Attempt	6.4	5.8
Avg. Gain Per Completion	14.7	12.5
Attempts	168	266
Completions	73	123
Percentage	.435	.462
Had Intercepted	10	14
Passes Intercepted by	14	10
Yards Returned	140	64
Avg. Return	10.0	6.4
Punting Average	39.7	40.6
Number of Punts	48	80
Yards	1906	3248
Had Blocked	0	0
Punts Returned	48	20
Yards Returned	702	92
Average Return	14.6	4.6
Kickoffs Returned	30	55
Yards Returned	585	950
Average Return	19.5	17.3

Penalties-Yards	76-657	77-624
Avg. Yards Per Game	59.7	56.7
Fumbles-Lost	33-17	32-14
Touchdowns	55	18
By Rush	40	7
By Pass	11	10
By Return	4	1
Field Goals made/attempts	10-13	8-11
Extra Points made/attempts	54-55	17-18
By Kick	54-55	16-16
By Rush	0-0	1-1
By Pass	0-0	0-1
Safeties	1	0
Total Points	416	150
Avg. Per Game	37.8	13.6
First Down Plays	369	258
Avg. Per Play	5.7	4.1
Third Down Conversions	74-158	56-170
Percentage	46.8	32.9
Fourth Down Conversions	12-16	3-12
Percentage	75.0	25.0

RUSHING	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg Yds/ Play	Avg Yds/ Game	LP	TD
Jones, K.	10	161	889	59	830	5.2	83.0	78	14
Taylor, S.	10	130	656	119	537	4.1	53.7	46	9
Knox, T.	10	70	439	20	419	6.0	41.9	92	2
Kaelin, K.	9	68	385	5	380	5.6	42.2	28	2
Heibel, M.	11	54	303	1	302	5.6	27.5	23	2
Brinson, D.	11	37	296	10	286	7.7	26.0	63	2
Rodgers, T.	10	27	150	15	135	5.0	13.5	26	1
Kelley, J.	5	22	136	3	133	6.0	26.6	32	2
Blakeman, C.	11	26	124	14	110	4.2	10.0	29	4
Wheeler, J.	8	16	75	1	74	4.6	9.3	13	1
Clayton, M.	6	22	101	35	66	3.0	11.0	27	1
Dalton, D.	9	9	52	0	52	5.8	5.7	11	0
Sheppard, V.	5	7	30	1	29	4.1	5.8	14	0
Hawkins, H.	10	3	13	0	13	4.3	1.3	7	0
Mlinar, J.	1	2	5	1	4	2.0	4.0	5	0
Wooten, W.	1	1	1	0	1	1.0	1.0	1	0
Smith, R.	11	1	0	11	−11	−11.0	−1.0	0	0
Nebraska	11	656	3655	295	3360	5.1	305.5	92	40
Opponents	11	442	1498	445	1053	2.4	95.7	76	7

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds.	Avg Yds/ Play	Avg Yds/ Gm	LP	TD
Brinson, D.	11	14	208	14.9	18.9	39	1
Smith, R.	11	12	190	15.8	17.3	26	1
Millikan, T.	11	11	230	20.9	20.9	73	4
Schnitzler, R.	10	8	122	15.3	12.2	33	1
Gamble, J.	10	8	111	13.9	11.1	21	0
Banderas, T.	6	6	70	11.7	11.7	20	2
Sheppard, V.	5	3	61	20.3	12.2	46	1
Griffin, W.	9	3	42	14.0	4.7	21	1
Jones, K.	10	2	18	9.0	1.8	11	0
Diaz, M.	8	1	11	11.0	1.4	11	0
Kelley, J.	5	1	6	6.0	1.2	6	0
Hawkins, H.	10	1	5	5.0	0.5	5	0
Wheeler, J.	8	1	3	3.0	0.4	3	0
Cooper, M.	10	1	0	0.0	0.0	0	0
Knox, T.	10	1	−3	−3.0	−0.3	0	0
Nebraska	11	73	1074	14.7	97.6	73	11
Opponents	11	123	1539	12.5	139.9	56	10

PASSING	G	Att	Cmp	Pct	Yds	Int	TD	LP	Eff.
Taylor, S.	10	124	52	41.9	808	7	6	73	101.3
Blakeman	11	37	19	51.4	242	2	4	29	131.2
Clayton, M.	6	6	2	33.3	24	1	1	21	88.6
Knox, T.	10	1	0	00.0	0	0	0	0	.0
Nebraska	11	168	73	43.4	1074	10	11	73	106.9
Opponents	11	266	123	46.2	1539	14	10	56	96.7

KICKOFF RETURNS	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Brinson, D.	11	13	280	21.5	58	0
Sheppard, V.	5	5	135	27.0	43	0
Rodgers, T.	10	6	77	12.8	26	0
Dalton, D.	9	4	64	16.0	25	0
Wheeler, J.	8	2	29	14.5	19	0
Nebraska	11	30	585	19.5	58	0
Opponents	11	55	950	17.3	41	0

PUNT RETURNS	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Brinson, D.	11	27	330	12.2	48	0
Smith, R.	11	12	227	18.9	63	1
Schnitzler, R.	10	1	70	70.0	70	1
Rodgers, T.	10	5	50	10.0	26	0
Siebler, B.	11	1	19	19.0	19	0
Gregory, M.	3	1	6	6.0	6	0
Sheppard, V.	5	1	0	.0	0	0
Nebraska	11	48	702	14.6	70	2
Opponents	11	20	92	4.6	15	0

FIELD GOALS	G	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Klein, D.	11	0-0	5-5	4-4	1-3	0-1
Opponents	11	0-0	2-3	4-4	1-3	1-1

DALE KLEIN FG SEQUENCE (underlined good): (49, 33, 38), (23), (0), (37, 28), (55), (44, 21), (47, 29), (26), (0), (0), (32).

OPPONENTS FG SEQUENCE: (46), (0), (0), (38), (49, 37), (29), (57, 42, 36), (27), (0), (0), (22, 31).

INTERCEPTIONS	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	TD
Siebler, B.	11	3	10	3.3	10	0
Fryar, C.	11	3	3	1.0	7	0
Blazek, M.	11	2	26	13.0	26	0
Munford, M.	11	2	18	9.0	13	0
Tomjack, J.	11	1	36	36.0	36	0
Davis, B.	10	1	32	32.0	32	1
Miller, C.	9	1	11	11.0	11	0
Carr, C.	4	1	0	.0	0	0
Thomas, B.	11	0	4	.0	4	1
Nebraska	11	14	140	10.0	40	2
Opponents	11	10	64	6.4	45	1

SCORING	G	TD	PAT Kick	PAT R/P	FG	Points
Jones, K.	10	14	0	0	0	84
Klein, D.	11	0	51-52	0	10-13	81
Taylor, S.	10	9	0	0	0	54
Blakeman, C.	11	4	0	0	0	24
Millikan, T.	11	4	0	0	0	24
Brinson, D.	11	3	0	0	0	18
Banderas, T.	6	2	0	0	0	12
Heibel, M.	11	2	0	0	0	12
Kaelin, K.	9	2	0	0	0	12
Kelley, J.	5	2	0	0	0	12
Knox, T.	10	2	0	0	0	12
Schnitzler, R.	10	2	0	0	0	12
Smith, R.	11	2	0	0	0	12
Clayton, M.	6	1	0	0	0	6
Davis, B.	10	1	0	0	0	6
Griffin, W.	9	1	0	0	0	6
Rodgers, T.	10	1	0	0	0	6
Sheppard, V.	5	1	0	0	0	6
Thomas, B.	11	1	0	0	0	6
Wheeler, J.	8	1	0	0	0	6
Schnitzler, C.	1	0	2-2	0	0	2
Barrios, G.	4	0	1-1	0	0	1
Nebraska	11	55	54-55	0	10-13	416*
Opponents	11	18	16-16	1-2	8-11	150

*Includes one safety.

PUNTING	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	LP	Blk	Rt Yd
Kroeker, J.	11	46	1824	39.6	63	0	88
Toner, J.	1	1	45	45.0	45	0	4
Klein, D.	11	1	37	37.0	37	0	0
Nebraska	11	48	1906	39.7	63	0	92
Opponents	11	80	3248	40.6	78	0	702

DEFENSE	G	UT	AT	TOT	Sacks/Yards	TL/Yards	Int	PBU	Fmb Rec	Blk Kick
Munford, Marc	11	49	41	90	4/34	8/46	2	4	1	0
Parsons, Kevin	11	44	28	72	1/ 2	1/ 2	0	4	0	0
Thomas, Broderick	11	41	17	58	4/17	11/48	0	2	6	0
Noonan, Danny	11	31	22	53	7/38	12/62	0	0	0	0
Fryar, Charles	11	38	14	52	0/ 0	1/ 4	3	8	0	0
Siebler, Bryan	11	36	15	51	0/ 0	0/ 0	3	2	0	0
Smith, Neil	11	29	20	49	5/41	8/42	0	1	0	0
Holloway, Tony	11	29	14	43	2/ 4	10/23	0	1	1	0
Etienne, LeRoy	11	21	17	38	0/ 0	2/ 2	0	2	0	0
Jones, Lee	9	23	13	36	2/ 2	7/15	0	0	0	0
Spachman, Chris	11	21	12	33	1/ 8	4/17	0	1	1	0
Davis, Brian	10	22	8	30	0/ 0	1/ 3	1	6	1	0
Blazek, Mark	11	17	10	27	1/21	1/21	2	0	0	0
Pete, Lawrence	11	17	8	25	2/17	5/26	0	0	0	0
Jamrog, Jeff	11	18	4	22	4/32	7/65	0	0	1	0
Tomjack, Jeff	11	10	8	18	0/ 0	1/ 2	1	2	0	0
Washington, Brian	10	8	10	18	0/ 0	1/ 4	0	0	1	0
Tyrer, Brad	11	12	3	15	4/30	8/39	0	0	0	0
Rother, Tim	10	10	5	15	2/13	2/13	0	0	0	0
Henning, Blake	10	8	4	12	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	1	0	0
Welniak, Doug	11	8	2	10	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Marco, Jon	11	8	1	9	1/21	4/34	0	0	0	0
Hicks, Lorenzo	5	5	1	6	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Miller, Cleo	9	6	0	6	0/ 0	0/ 0	1	1	0	1

Custard, John	11	4	1	5	0/ 0	1/ 4	0	1	1	0
Groskurth, Danny	5	1	2	3	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Miller, Brian	2	2	1	3	0/ 0	2/ 6	0	0	0	0
Stanard, Steve	4	1	1	2	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Schneider, Gary	6	2	0	2	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Thayer, Dan	4	2	0	2	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Putnam, Sean	5	2	0	2	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Walker, Cartier	3	1	0	1	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Wiley, Dante	10	1	0	1	0/ 0	0/ 0	0	0	0	0
Carr, Chris	4	0	0	0	0/ 0	0/ 0	1	0	0	0

1986 NEBRASKA STAT HIGHS (11 GAMES, 9-2)

PLAYER	MOST RUSHING YARDS	LONGEST RUN
Clete Blakeman	61 vs. Kansas	29 vs. Kansas
Dana Brinson	83 vs. Missouri	63 vs. Missouri
McCathorn Clayton	53 vs. Kansas	27 vs. Kansas
Doug Dalton	40 vs. Kansas	11 vs. Kansas
Micah Heibel	72 vs. Oklahoma State	23 vs. Kansas
Keith Jones	168 vs. Illinois	78 vs. Illinois
Ken Kaelin	126 vs. Iowa State	28 vs. Missouri
Jon Kelley	55 vs. Kansas	32 vs. Kansas
Tyreese Knox	127 vs. Missouri	92 vs. Missouri
Terry Rodgers	65 vs. Illinois	26 vs. Oklahoma State
Von Sheppard	14 vs. Florida State	14 vs. Florida State
Steve Taylor	139 vs. Florida State	46 vs. Oregon
Jeff Wheeler	41 vs. Kansas	13 vs. Kansas
Wendell Wooten	1 vs. Missouri	1 vs. Missouri

Most rushing attempts—29; Tyreese Knox vs. Iowa State.
Most rushing yards—168; Keith Jones vs. Illinois.
Longest run from scrimmage for TD—92; Tyreese Knox vs. Missouri.
Longest run from scrimmage, no TD—47; Keith Jones vs. Oklahoma State.
Most passes attempted—21; Steve Taylor vs. Colorado.
Most passes completed—10; Steve Taylor vs. Florida State.
Most yards passing—196; Steve Taylor vs. South Carolina.
Most TD passes—3; Clete Blakeman vs. Kansas.
Longest TD pass—46; Steve Taylor to Von Sheppard vs. Florida State.
Longest pass, no TD—73; Steve Taylor to Todd Millikan vs. South Carolina.
Most total offense attempts—43; Steve Taylor vs. Oklahoma.
Most total offense yards—269; Steve Taylor vs. Florida State.
Most all-purpose attempts—29; Tyreese Knox vs. Iowa State.
Most all-purpose yards—175; Dana Brinson vs. South Carolina.
Most touchdowns scored—2; Taylor vs. FSU, Illinois, KSU and ISU; Jones vs. Illinois, Oregon, OSU, Missouri, KSU and KU; Millikan vs. Oregon; Brinson vs. Missouri and KU; Banderas vs. KU.
Most interceptions—1; eight different players, 14 times.
Longest interception return for TD—32; Brian Davis vs. Illinois.
Longest interception return, no TD—36; Jeff Tomjack vs. Oregon.
Longest punt return for TD—70; Robb Schnitzler vs. Iowa State.
Longest punt return, no TD—60; Rod Smith vs. Kansas State.
Longest kickoff return for TD—none.
Longest kickoff return, no TD—58; Dana Brinson vs. Oklahoma State.
Longest punt—63; John Kroeker vs. South Carolina.
Most field goal attempts—3; Dale Klein vs. Florida State.
Most field goals made—2; Dale Klein vs. Florida State (2-3); vs. South Carolina (2-2); vs. Missouri (2-2).
Longest field goal made—44, Dale Klein vs. Missouri.

TEAM HIGHS AND LOWS

Nebraska	High	Low
First downs	34 vs. Kansas	16 vs. Colorado, Oklahoma
Rushing attempts	74 vs. Iowa State	43 vs. Colorado
Rushing yards	490 vs. Illinois	101 vs. Oklahoma
Passes attempted	26 vs. Colorado	8 vs. Kansas State
Passes completed	10 vs. FSU, Colorado	1 vs. Iowa State
Passes had intercepted	2 vs. Oregon, OSU, CU, KSU	0 vs. FSU, USC, MU, ISU, KU
Passing yards	196 vs. South Carolina	−3 vs. Iowa State
Total offensive plays	84 vs. Kansas	64 vs. Oklahoma
Total offensive yards	587 vs. Kansas	232 vs. Oklahoma
Possession time	37:18 vs. Florida State	26:42 vs. Oregon
Fumbles	5 vs. Illinois, Oregon, OU	1 vs. USC, ISU
Fumbles lost	3 vs. Kansas State	0 vs. Kansas
Penalties	10 vs. FSU, Ill., Missouri	2 vs. Iowa State
Yards Penalized	101 vs. Florida State	25 vs. OSU, ISU

Opponents	High	Low
First downs	24, South Carolina	7, Kansas State
Rushing attempts	64, Oklahoma	22, Kansas
Rushing yards	224, Oklahoma	−21, Kansas
Passes attempted	40, Illinois	5, Colorado
Passes completed	26, South Carolina	2, Colorado, KSU
Passes had intercepted	4, Oregon	0, FSU, Colorado
Passing yards	286, South Carolina	16, Kansas State
Total offensive plays	77, South Carolina	48, Florida State
Total offensive yards	377, South Carolina	100, Kansas
Fumbles	8, Oklahoma	0, Florida State
Fumbles lost	3, Colorado	0, FSU, KSU, ISU
Penalties	10, Missouri	5, South Carolina
Yards penalized	80, Missouri	30, South Carolina

Offensive guards John McCormick (61) and Stan Parker (74) lead the way for the Husker offense.

1986 Individual Game-by-Game Statistics

Rushing

(Att./Yards)

Game	K. Jones	Taylor	Knox	Kaelin	Heibel	Brinson	Others
Fla. St.	17/58	22/139	0/0	5/32	6/20	1/−2	Kelley 9/35, Sheppard 2/14, Blakeman 1/1
Illinois	16/168	7/21	6/29	5/40	3/21	3/57	Rodgers 10/65, Kelley 4/28, Clayton 5/22, Sheppard 3/7, Wheeler 3/7, Blakeman 2/5
Oregon	19/67	9/85	7/35	3/26	7/55	2/4	Kelley 5/17, Blakeman 2/9, Rodgers 4/7, Mlinar 2/4, Sheppard 1/2, Clayton 2/−8
So. Car.	26/103	15/53	1/2	DNP	5/7	3/69	Rodgers 2/8
Okla. St.	14/85	11/51	2/8	DNP	16/72	8/34	Rodgers 4/15, Clayton 2/13, Blakeman 2/7, Wheeler 2/2
Missouri	15/73	7/6	8/127	5/45	5/21	4/83	Wheeler 4/23, Blakeman 1/20, Rodgers 4/15, Dalton 2/10, Wooten 1/1, Clayton 3/−10
Colorado	9/9	13/27	10/55	3/9	2/13	4/16	Blakeman 2/−6
Kansas St.	18/109	11/68	6/30	11/54	4/42	2/8	Blakeman 3/8, Hawkins 1/7, Dalton 1/2, Wheeler 1/1, Clayton 2/−4
Iowa St.	DNP	12/43	29/126	25/126	2/6	4/4	Blakeman 2/5
Kansas	15/117	DNP	DNP	8/37	4/45	3/4	Blakeman 11/61, Kelley 4/55, Clayton 8/53, Wheeler 6/41, Dalton 6/40, Rodgers 3/25, Sheppard 1/6, Hawkins 2/6
Oklahoma	121-41	23/44	4/11	1/7	0/0	3/9	R. Smith 1/−11
Totals	**161/830**	**130/537**	**70/419**	**68/380**	**54/302**	**37/286**	

Passing

(Att.-Comp.-Int./Yards)

Game	Taylor	Blakeman	Clayton
Fla. St.	10-16-0/130	0-0-0/0	DNP
Illinois	1-5-0/5	3-8-1/47	1-2-0/21
Oregon	3-10-1/40	3-5-0/55	0-2-1/0
So. Carolina	9-19-0/196	0-0-0/0	DNP
Okla. St.	3-9-2/46	0-0-0/0	0-0-0/0
Missouri	6-12-0/101	1-3-0/9	0-0-0/0
Colorado	7-20-2/102	4-6-0/37	DNP
Kansas St.	3-4-1/60	0-3-1/0	0-1-0/0
Iowa St.	1-9-0/−3	0-0-0/0	DNP
Kansas	DNP	8-12-0/94	1-1-0/3
Oklahoma	9-20-1/131	0-0-0/0	DNP
Totals	**52-124-7/808**	**19-37-2/242**	**2-6-0/24**

Receiving

(No./Yards)

Game	Brinson	R. Smith	Millikan	Schntzlr	Gamble	Banderas	Others
Fla. St.	2/11	0/0	1/12	1/13	1/13	DNP	Sheppard 2/54, Griffin 2/21, Kelley 1/6
Illinois	1/11	0/0	0/0	1/5	1/16	1/20	Griffin 1/21
Oregon	1/12	2/21	2/51	DNP	0/0	DNP	Diaz 1/11
So. Carolina	2/30	1/22	2/84	2/35	2/25	0/0	
Okla. St.	0/0	1/12	1/17	0/0	1/17	DNP	
Missouri	1/9	2/40	1/13	1/18	2/30	DNP	
Colorado	3/52	2/29	2/25	0/0	1/10	DNP	K. Jones 2/18, Hawkins 1/5
Kansas St.	1/10	1/17	0/0	1/33	DNP	0/0	
Iowa St.	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	Knox 1/−3
Kansas	1/19	1/13	1/16	1/7	0/0	4/39	Wheeler 1/3
Oklahoma	2/54	2/36	1/12	1/11	0/0	1/11	Sheppard 1/7, Cooper 1/0
Totals	**14/208**	**12/190**	**11/230**	**8/122**	**8/111**	**6/70**	

1986 Team Game-by-Game Statistics

NEBRASKA

Opponent	Rushing Att.-Net-TD	Passing C-A-I-Yds.-TD	Return Yards NU-Opp.	Sacks By	First Downs T-R-Pa-Pe
Florida St.	63-297-2	10-16-0-130-2	26-(−3)	7-44	24-19-3-2
Illinois	64-470-6	5-15-1-73-1	72-13	2-18	24-20 4-0
Oregon	63-101-4	6-17-2-95-2	146-0	2-12	23-18-3-2
So. Carolina	52-242-2	9-19-0-196-1	57-2	4-30	20-12-7-1
Okla. St.	61-287-3	3-9-2-46-0	107-45	4-26	22-16-3-3
Missouri	59-414-6	7-15-0-110-0	77-2	2-11	24-17-6-1
Colorado	43-123-1	11-27-2-139-0	52-43	0-0	16-8-6-2
Kansas St.	60-325-4	3-8-2-60-1	116-0	0-0	22-17-3-2
Iowa St.	71-310-4	1-9-0-(−3)-0	91-31	4-30	23-22-0-1
Kansas	71-490-7	9-13-0-97-3	37-0	3-42	34-28-6-0
Oklahoma	44-101-1	9-20-1-131-1	61-23	1-12	16-8-6-2
Totals	**656-3,360-40**	**73-168-10-1,074-11**	**842-156**	**29-225**	**248-185-47-16**

OPPONENTS

Game	Rushing Att.-Net-TD	Passing C-A-I-Yds.-TD	Sacks By	First Downs T-R-Pa-Pe
Florida St.	31-76-1	9-17-0-97-1	0-0	8-3-3-2
Illinois	29-3-0	18-40-1-204-2	1-6	12-2-8-2
Oregon	33-47-1	16-37-4-224-1	0-0	15-5-9-1
So. Carolina	39-91-2	26-38-1-286-1	1-6	24-8-15-1
Okla. St.	38-62-0	11-29-1-167-0	0-0	14-4-9-1
Missouri	44-171-0	9-20-2-122-2	2-11	13-10-3-0
Colorado	58-192-1	2-5-0-81-1	3-47	14-9-2-3
Kansas St.	48-90-0	2-8-2-16-0	0-0	7-5-0-2
Iowa St.	36-126-1	10-24-1-74-1	2-7	11-3-7-1
Kansas	22-(−21)-0	14-28-1-121-0	0-0	9-1-7-1
Oklahoma	64-224-1	6-12-1-147-1	3-21	18-11-3-4
Totals	**442-1,053-7**	**123-266-14-1,539-10**	**12-98**	**145-61-66-18**

NEBRASKA RECORDS BROKEN OR TIED IN 1986

INDIVIDUAL

Highest PAT conversion percentage, season (min. 40 att.)—.981; Dale Klein (51-52; old record, .977, Kevin Seibel, 43-44, 1981).

Most field goals, career—27; Dale Klein (old record, 22, Billy Todd, 1977-78).

Highest punt-return average, season (min. 5 ret.)—18.9; Rod Smith (12-227; old record, 16.6, Johnny Rodgers, 1971).

Most opponents' fumbles recovered, game—3; Broderick Thomas vs. Colorado (old record, 2, by many).

Most opponents' fumbles recovered, season—6; Broderick Thomas (old record, 5, Dave Butterfield, 1975).

Most passes broken up, season—8; Charles Fryar (ties record shared by many).

TEAM

Consecutive games scored in—159; extends current record.

THE BIG EIGHT in BOWLS

Bluebonnet: Colorado vs. Baylor, Houston, Texas, Dec. 31
Sugar: Nebraska vs. LSU, New Orleans, La., Jan. 1
Orange: Oklahoma vs. Arkansas, Miami, Fla., Jan. 1

FINAL 1986 BIG EIGHT FOOTBALL STANDINGS

	Conference Games						All Games					
	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Oklahoma	7	0	0	1.000	302	30	10	1	0	.909	466	73
Colorado	6	1	0	.857	165	80	6	5	0	.545	233	172
Nebraska	**5**	**2**	**0**	**.714**	**248**	**81**	**9**	**2**	**0**	**.818**	**416**	**150**
Oklahoma State	4	3	0	.571	102	109	6	5	0	.545	181	191
Iowa State	3	4	0	.429	129	168	6	5	0	.545	257	244
Missouri	2	5	0	.286	114	195	3	8	0	.273	196	314
Kansas State	1	6	0	.143	70	243	2	9	0	.182	134	343
Kansas	0	7	0	.000	41	265	3	8	0	.273	112	327

FINAL 1986 BIG EIGHT STATISTICS

(Leaders and Nebraska rankings)

INDIVIDUAL

RUSHING

	G	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Yds.PG
1. Keith Jones, NU	10	161	830	5.2	14	83.0
10. Steve Taylor, NU	10	130	537	4.1	9	53.7
15. Ken Kaelin, NU	9	68	380	5.6	2	42.2
16. Tyreese Knox, NU	10	70	419	6.0	2	41.9

RECEIVING

	G	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	RecPG
1. Hart Lee Dykes, OSU (14)	11	60	814	13.6	7	5.45

PASSING EFFICIENCY
(Min. 5 Att. Per Game)

	G	Att	Cmp	Pct.	Int.	Pct. Int.	Yds.	Yds./ Att.	TD	Pct. TD	Rating Points
1. Jamelle Holieway, OU	10	52	30	47.6	6	9.5	541	8.6	4	6.4	121.7
5. Steve Taylor, NU	10	124	52	41.9	7	5.7	808	6.5	7	4.8	101.3

TOTAL OFFENSE

	RUSHING:			PASSING:		TOTAL OFFENSE:				
	G	Att.	Net	Att	Yds	Plays	Yds	YdPl	TD	YdsPG
1. Alex Espinoza, ISU	11	78	−4	299	2,023	377	2,019	5.4	17	183.6
5. Steve Taylor, NU	10	130	537	124	808	254	1,345	5.3	15	134.5
9. Keith Jones, NU	10	161	830	0	0	161	830	5.2	14	83.0

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	Yards	YdsPG
1. Dana Brinson, NU	11	286	208	340	280	1,114	101.3
4. Keith Jones, NU	10	830	18	0	0	848	84.8

SCORING

	G	TD	XP	FG	Pts	PtPG
1. Tim Lasher, OU (6)	11	0	60	12	96	8.7
2. Keith Jones, NU (12)	10	14	0	0	84	8.4
3. Dale Klein, NU	11	0	51	10	81	7.4
6. Steve Taylor, NU	10	9	0	0	54	5.4

INTERCEPTIONS

	G	No.	Yds	TD	IPG
1. Adrian Jones, MU	11	5	37	0	0.45

PUNTING

	No.	Avg.
1. Barry Helton, CU (4)	57	45.6
5. John Kroeker, NU	46	39.7

PUNT RETURNS

	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
1. Rod Smith, NU (1)	12	227	1	18.9
2. Milt Garner, KU (5)	14	193	2	13.8
3. Dana Brinson, NU (7)	27	340	0	12.6

KICKOFF RETURNS

	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
1. M.J. Nelson, CU (15)	21	519	0	24.7

TEAM

RUSHING OFFENSE

	G	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YdsPG
1. Oklahoma (1)	11	719	4,452	6.2	51	404.7
2. Nebraska (2)	11	656	3,360	5.1	40	305.5

PASSING OFFENSE

	G	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Yds/ Att.	TD	YdsPG
1. Iowa State	11	323	166	9	51.4	2,183	6.8	18	198.5
6. Nebraska	11	168	73	10	43.5	1,074	6.4	11	97.6

SCORING OFFENSE

	G	Pts.	Avg.
1. Oklahoma (1)	11	466	42.4
2. Nebraska (3)	11	416	37.8

TOTAL OFFENSE

	G	Plays	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YdsPG
1. Oklahoma (2)	11	807	5,210	6.5	58	473.6
2. Nebraska	11	824	4,434	5.4	51	403.1

PUNT RETURNS

	G	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
1. Nebraska (2)	11	48	712	2	14.8

KICKOFF RETURNS

	G	No.	Yds.	TD	Avg.
1. Oklahoma	11	10	217	0	21.7
4. Nebraska	11	30	585	0	19.5

NET PUNTING

	Punts	Avg.	No. Ret.	Yds. Ret.	Net Avg.	Total Yards
1. Colorado (2)	57	45.6	26	190	42.3	2,599
2. Nebraska	48	39.7	20	92	37.8	1,906

RUSHING DEFENSE

	G	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YdsPG
1. Oklahoma (1)	11	408	668	1.6	1	60.7
2. Nebraska (9)	11	442	1,051	2.4	7	95.5

PASS DEFENSE

	G	Att.	Cmp.	Int.	Pct.	Yds.	Yds/ Att.	TD	YdsPG
1. Oklahoma (1)	11	263	128	18	48.7	1,198	4.6	7	108.9
3. Nebraska (11)	11	258	123	14	47.7	1,539	6.0	10	139.9

SCORING DEFENSE

	G	Pts.	Avg.
1. Oklahoma (1)	11	73	6.6
2. Nebraska (3)	11	150	13.6

TOTAL DEFENSE

	G	Plays	Yds.	Avg.	TD	YdsPG
1. Oklahoma (1)	11	671	1,866	2.8	8	169.6
2. Nebraska (2)	11	700	2,590	3.7	12	235.5

NEBRASKA BOWL HISTORY AND RECORDS

1941 ROSE BOWL
STANFORD 21, NEBRASKA 13

PASADENA, Calif., Jan. 1, 1941—Nebraska was only the third Big Six team to play in a post-season bowl game, but the Cornhuskers made their first bowl trip a memorable one with an invitation to the granddaddy of them all—The Rose Bowl. Under the warm California sun in Pasadena, Coach Biff Jones' Cornhuskers led Clark Shaughnessy's Stanford Indians twice in the first half, but fell victim to the innovative T-formation 21-13. The Huskers took a 7-0 lead just six plays after the kickoff when fullback Vike Francis plunged over from the two. Stanford tied the count four plays later when Hugh Gallarneau bolted over from nine yards out. In the second quarter, the Huskers took the lead again on a 33-yard Herm Rohrig-to-Allen Zikmund pass, but the Indians came back on Frankie Albert's 41-yard TD pass to Gallarneau for a 14-13 halftime lead. A 39-yard TD punt return by Pete Kmetovic iced the game for the Indians in the third quarter. The 92,000 fans on hand still represent the largest crowd ever to see Nebraska play.

Stanford	7	7	7	0—21
Nebraska	7	6	0	0—13

STATISTICS

	NU	SU
First Downs	9	15
Rushing, Net	58	202
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	14-4-0	13-6-2
Passing, Net	85	68
Total Offense	128	375

LEADING NU RUSHER: Vike Francis, 51.
LEADING NU PASSER: Herm Rohrig, 4 of 14—85.
ATTENDANCE: 92,000.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Vike Francis 2 run (Francis kick).
SU—Hugh Gallarneau 9 run (Frankie Albert kick).

Second Quarter

NU—Allen Zikmund 33 pass from Herm Rohrig (kick blocked).
SU—Gallarneau 41 pass from Albert (Albert kick).

Third Quarter

SU—Pete Kmetovic 39 punt return (Albert kick).

Nebraska fullback Vike Francis (arrow) plunges over from the three to give Nebraska a 7-0 first-quarter lead.

1955 ORANGE BOWL
DUKE 34, NEBRASKA 7

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1955—If Nebraska's first bowl bid was a memorable one, it's second was one to forget. The 1954 Cornhuskers finished second behind Oklahoma in the Big Seven race and went to Miami under the no-repeat rule. Making their first bowl appearance in 14 years, Bill Glassford's Cornhuskers trailed Duke's Blue Devils at the half, 14-0, but pulled within 14-7 early in the third quarter after a minus-two-yard Duke punt. Halfback Don Comstock scored from the three to cap a 35-yard drive. After that, it was all Duke. Coach Bill Murray's Blue Devils rolled 65 yards to score on their next possession and added two more tallies in the fourth quarter to ice the game, 34-7.

Duke	0	14	6	14—34
Nebraska	0	0	7	0— 7

STATISTICS

	NU	DU
First Downs	6	23
Rushing, Net	84	288
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	9-1-2	13-7-0
Passing, Net	26	82
Total Offense	110	370

LEADING NU RUSHER: Bob Smith, 22.

LEADING NU PASSER: Willie Greenlaw, 1 of 2—26.

ATTENDANCE: 68,750.

SCORING SUMMARY

Second Quarter

DU—Bob Pascal 7 run (Jim Nelson kick).

DU—Jerry Kocourek 5 pass from Jerry Barger (Nelson kick).

Third Quarter

NU—Donald Comstock 3 run (Bob Smith kick).

DU—Sonny Sorrell 5 pass from Barger (kick failed).

Fourth Quarter

DU—Nick McKeithan 1 run (Nelson kick).

DU—Sam Eberdt 3 run (Nelson kick).

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NU Halfback Don Comstock scores on a three-yard run in the third quarter, to make the score Duke 14, Nebraska 7.

1962 GOTHAM BOWL
NEBRASKA 36, MIAMI, FLA. 34

NEW YORK, Dec. 15, 1962—Playing under coach Bob Devaney, Nebraska won its first bowl game in three tries, upsetting Miami and George Mira, 36-34, in the second and last of New York's now-defunct Gotham Bowl. Playing in Yankee Stadium before only 6,166 fans in sub-freezing weather, the Huskers and Hurricanes put on one of the greatest bowl shows ever, trading scores in every quarter. Willie Ross' one-yard plunge and Bill "Thunder" Thorton's subsequent two-point run gave the Huskers' the lead for good, 36-27, with 12:10 left. Mira, who passed for 321 yards led a valiant comeback attempt, but was thwarted by a last-minute interception by Husker guard Bob Brown.

Nebraska	6	14	8	8—36
Miami	6	14	7	7—34

STATISTICS

	NU	MU
First Downs	12	3
Rushing, Net	150	181
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	14-9-2	46-24-0
Passing, Net	146	321
Total Offense	296	502

LEADING NU RUSHER: Willie Ross, 77.

LEADING NU PASSER: Dennis Claridge, 9 of 14—146.

ATTENDANCE: 6,166.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Bill Thornton 2 run (Dennis Claridge run failed), 7:39.

MU—Ben Rizzo 10 pass from George Mira (Bobby Wilson kick failed), 14:31.

Second Quarter

MU—Nick Spinnelli 30 pass from Mira (Mira pass failed), 2:29.

NU—Willie Ross 92 kickoff return (Rudy Johnson kick), 2:42.

MU—Nick Ryder 1 run (Ryder pass from Mira), 7:40.

NU—Mike Eger 6 pass from Claridge (Johnson kick), 14:18.

Third Quarter

MU—John Bennett 3 run (Wilson kick), 6:16.

NU—Thornton 1 run (Claridge run), 14:52.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Ross 1 run (Thornton run), 1:28.

MU—Ryder 1 run (Wilson kick), 5:31.

Bill "Thunder" Thornton scores a third-quarter touchdown against Miami.

1964 ORANGE BOWL
NEBRASKA 13, AUBURN 7

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1964—Nebraska made it's second Orange Bowl trip a happier one than the first with a 13-7 win over Auburn in the 1964 Miami Classic. The Huskers evened their bowl record with the win and handed Bob Devaney his second bowl win in as many tries. Husker quarterback Dennis Claridge broke the game open before most of the 72,647 fans had settled in their seats. On the Huskers' second play from scrimmage, Claridge bolted 68 yards down the sideline to put NU ahead 7-0. At the time, it was the longest TD run in OB history. Moments later Dave Theisen broke another OB record with a 31-yard field goal. The record lasted until the second quarter when Theisen booted a 36-yarder to give NU a 13-0 halftime lead. Auburn quarterback Jimmy Sidle almost brought the Tigers back, but Husker linebacker John Kirby batted a fourth-and-four pass away at the goal line with less than three minutes to go to preserve the win for Nebraska.

Nebraska	10	3	0	0—13
Auburn	0	0	7	0— 7

STATISTICS

	NU	AU
First Downs	11	17
Rushing, Net	204	126
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	9-4-0	27-14-1
Passing, Net	30	157
Total Offense	234	283

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Dennis Claridge, 108; Rudy Johnson, 47.

LEADING NU PASSER: Dennis Claridge, 4 for 9—30.

ATTENDANCE: 72,647.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Dennis Claridge 68 run (Dave Theisen kick), 1:13.

NU—FG Theisen 31, 9:34.

Second Quarter

NU—FG Theisen 36, 1:55.

Third Quarter

AU—Jimmy Sidle 13 run (Woody Woodall kick), 11:28.

Husker quarterback Dennis Claridge (14) leaves Auburn defenders in his wake on a 68-yard TD jaunt on Huskers' second play.

1965 COTTON BOWL
ARKANSAS 10, NEBRASKA 7

DALLAS, Jan. 1, 1965—Coach Frank Broyles' Arkansas Razorbacks mounted an 80-yard fourth quarter drive against a previously impregnable Nebraska defense to down the Huskers, 10-7, in NU's first Dallas appearance. The Huskers had led most of the way in one of the greatest defensive battles in bowl history. Arkansas scored first on a 31-yard Tom McKnelly field goal in the first quarter. But soph Harry Wilson capped a 69-yard Husker march in the second quarter on a one-yard plunge to give Nebraska a 7-3 halftime lead. The Huskers held that lead until Bobby Burnett finished the Arkansas drive with a three-yard TD run with 4:50 left in the game. In the fierce defensive struggle, first downs were even at 11, and the Razorbacks held a slim, 176-168 total offense edge.

Arkansas	3	0	0	7—10
Nebraska	0	7	0	0— 7

STATISTICS

	NU	AU
First Downs	11	11
Rushing, Net	100	45
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	16-8-2	19-11-1
Passing, Net	68	131
Total Offense	168	176

LEADING NU RUSHER: Harry Wilson, 84.
LEADING NU PASSER: Bob Churchich, 8 of 15—68.
ATTENDANCE: 75,504.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter
AU—FG Tom McKnelly 31, 5:13.
Second Quarter
NU—Harry Wilson 1 run (Duncan Drum kick), 7:15.
Fourth Quarter
AU—Bobby Burnett 3 run (McKnelly kick), 10:19.

Typical of defensive battle, Huskers stage goal-line stand against Bobby Burnett and Arkansas.

1966 ORANGE BOWL
ALABAMA 39, NEBRASKA 28

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1966—With the national championship riding on the line, Coach Bob Devaney's Huskers took on Alabama's Crimson Tide for the first time. Nebraska went into the game 10-0 and ranked third, Alabama was 8-1-1 and fourth. But earlier in the day, top-ranked Michigan State lost to UCLA in the Rose Bowl and LSU knocked off No. 2 Arkansas in the Cotton Bowl to set up a national game in the Orange Bowl. Playing in the first night bowl game ever, 'Bama won the title, 39-28. The Tide led 24-7 at the half and the game was never in serious doubt, but led by the passing of Bob Churchich, the Huskers came back to make a solid fight and make the final score respectable.

Alabama	7	17	8	7—39
Nebraska	0	7	6	15—28

STATISTICS

	NU	AU
First Downs	17	29
Rushing, Net	145	222
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	19-12-1	29-20-2
Passing, Net	232	296
Total Offense	377	518

LEADING NU RUSHER: Ron Kirkland, 67.

LEADING NU PASSER: Bob Churchich, 12 of 17—232.

ATTENDANCE: 74,214.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

AU—Ray Perkins 32 pass from Steve Sloan (Dave Ray kick), 5:24.

Second Quarter

NU—Tony Jeter 33 pass from Bob Churchich (Larry Wachholtz kick), 2:45.

AU—Les Kelley 4 run (Ray kick), 7:49.

AU—Perkins 11 pass from Sloan (Ray kick), 13:18.

AU—FG Ray 18, 14:26.

Third Quarter

NU—Ben Gregory 49 pass from Churchich (pass failed), 4:25.

AU—Steve Bowman 1 run (Perkins pass from Sloan), 10:31.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Churchich 1 run (Wachholtz kick), 0:02.

AU—Bowman 3 run (Ray kick), 6:47.

NU—Jeter 14 pass from Churchich (Gregory pass from Churchich), 12:10.

Ben Gregory (22) scores on a 49-yard TD toss from Bob Churchich to cut 'Bama's lead to 24-13 lead in the third quarter.

1967 SUGAR BOWL
ALABAMA 34, NEBRASKA 7

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2, 1967—Never ones to duck a challenge, coach Bob Devaney and his Cornhuskers accepted a bid for a rematch with Alabama and Bear Bryant in the Sugar Bowl. It turned out to be a little too much of a challenge as No. 3 'Bama handed the No. 7 Huskers a 34-7 thumping. The Tide rolled up a 17-0 first quarter advantage and led at halftime, 24-0, behind the passing of Kenny Stabler. Sophomore fullback Dick Davis prevented a complete whitewashing with a 15-yard TD catch of a Bob Churchich pass on the first play of the fourth quarter. Husker QB Churchich sparkled again against the Tide, completing 21 of 34 passes for 201 yards. With the loss, the Huskers joined Alabama in holding the dubious distinction of being the only teams to lose in all four major bowls.

Alabama	17	7	3	7—34
Nebraska	0	0	0	7— 7

STATISTICS

	NU	AU
First Downs	16	19
Rushing, Net	84	157
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	38-22-5	26-15-1
Passing, Net	213	279
Total Offense	297	436

LEADING NU RUSHER: Dick Davis, 43.

LEADING NU PASSER: Bob Churchich, 21 of 34—201.

ATTENDANCE: 82,000.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

AU—Les Kelley 1 run (Steve Davis kick), 3:55.

AU—Kenny Stabler 14 run (Davis kick), 7:32.

AU—FG Davis 30, 14:34.

Second Quarter

AU—Wayne Trimble 6 run (Davis kick), 7:58.

Third Quarter

AU—FG Davis 40, 11:29.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Dick Davis 15 pass from Bob Churchich (Larry Wachholtz kick), 0:09.

AU—Ray Perkins 45 pass from Stabler (Davis kick), 3:20.

Alabama QB Wayne Trimble completes first-quarter pass over outstretched hand of Husker Carel Stith (72).

1969 SUN BOWL
NEBRASKA 45, GEORGIA 6

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 20, 1969—Golden-toed Paul Rogers booted a Sun Bowl-record four field goals—all in the first quarter—and Coach Bob Devaney's Cornhuskers romped to a 45-6 win over Georgia in the 35th edition of El Paso's Sun Bowl. Rogers booted FG's of 50, 32, 42 and 37 yards and sophomore I-back Jeff Kinney added a TD run of 11 yards to give Nebraska an 18-0 lead at the end of the first quarter and the Huskers were never threatened. For his record-setting effort, Rogers was named the game's outstanding offensive player. The Big Eight co-champion Cornhuskers rolled up a 355-185 total offense advantage over the outmanned Bulldogs. Dan Schneiss led Husker rushers with 63 yards and Van Brownson completed 11 of 18 passes for 109. After two years away from the bowl scene, the Sun Bowl started a run of 15-straight bowl appearances for the Huskers.

Nebraska	18	0	14	13—45
Georgia	0	0	0	6— 6

STATISTICS

	NU	GU
First Downs	17	11
Rushing, Net	190	55
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	35-18-2	35-11-6
Passing, Net	165	130
Total Offense	355	185

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Dan Schneiss, 63; Mike Green, 46; Jeff Kinney, 44.

LEADING NU PASSERS: Van Brownson, 11 of 18—109; Jerry Tagge, 6 of 12—53.

ATTENDANCE: 31,728.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—FG Paul Rogers 50, 3:46.
NU—FG Rogers 32, 5:20.
NU—Jeff Kinney 11 run (pass failed), 7:39.
NU—FG Rogers 42, 10:06.
NU—FG Rogers 37, 14:46.

Third Quarter

NU—Mike Greene 8 pass from Van Brownson (Rogers kick), 3:30.
NU—Brownson 1 run (Rogers kick), 4:30.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Dan Schneiss 1 run (Rogers kick), 1:54.
GU—Paul Gilbert 2 run (kick failed), 8:40.
NU—Jerry Tagge 2 run (Rogers kick), 10:50.

Jeff Kinney breaks free for Huskers' first TD against Georgia.

1971 ORANGE BOWL
NEBRASKA 17, LOUISIANA STATE 12

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1971—Playing under the lights in Miami's Orange Bowl for the first time in five years, Coach Bob Devaney's Nebraska Cornhuskers won the first of two straight national titles by virtue of a 17-12 win over LSU and some fortunate circumstances. Earlier in the day, top-ranked Texas was upset by Notre Dame, 24-11, in the Cotton Bowl, and No. 2 Ohio State was shocked by Stanford, 27-17, in the Rose. That left the door to the title wide open for No. 3 Nebraska. The Huskers responded by building a 10-0 first-quarter lead on a 25-yard field goal by Paul Rogers and a three-yard TD run by Joe Orduna. But a pair of Mark Lumpkin FG's and a 31-yard Buddy Lee to Al Coffee TD pass on the last play of the third quarter gave the aroused Tigers a 12-10 lead. Nebraska showed its grit by driving 67 yards, and after quarterback Jerry Tagge stretched the ball over from the 1-yard line with 8:50 left, the Huskers clinched their first national title.

Nebraska	10	0	0	7—17
LSU	0	3	9	0—12

STATISTICS

	NU	LSU
First Downs	18	20
Rushing, Net	132	51
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	28-14-2	32-17-1
Passing, Net	161	227
Total Offense	293	278

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Joe Orduna, 63; Jerry Tagge, 45.

LEADING NU PASSER: Jerry Tagge, 12 of 25—153.

ATTENDANCE: 80,699.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—FG Paul Rogers 25, 12:20.

NU—Joe Orduna 3 run (Rogers kick), 12:54.

Second Quarter

LSU—FG Mark Lumpkin 36, 14:11.

Third Quarter

LSU—FG Lumpkin 25, 3:11.

LSU—Al Coffee 31 pass from Buddy Lee (Lumpkin kick failed), 15:00.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Jerry Tagge 1 run (Rogers kick), 8:50.

History: Jerry Tagge stretches the ball across the goal line for national-title clinching TD.

1972 ORANGE BOWL
NEBRASKA 38, ALABAMA 6

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1972—It was supposed to be another "Game of the Century," rivaling Nebraska's 35-31 win over Oklahoma a few weeks earlier. The 12-0 Huskers were No. 1, the 11-0 Alabama Crimson Tide was No. 2 and the OB had a dream game—for a little less than a quarter. The Huskers struck early on a two-yard TD run by Jeff Kinney before Johnny Rodgers broke the Tide's back with a 77-yard TD punt return on the last play of the first quarter. The Huskers added two more scores in the second stanza and by halftime there was no doubt about who was No. 1—Nebraska led, 28-0. The Huskers continued to dominate and rolled to a 38-6 win, giving Nebraska a second straight national title and Coach Bob Devaney a satisfying first win in three tries over 'Bama Coach Bear Bryant.

Nebraska	14	14	3	7—38
Alabama	0	0	6	0— 6

STATISTICS

	NU	AU
First Downs	15	16
Rushing, Net	183	241
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	20-11-0	13-3-2
Passing, Net	159	47
Total Offense	342	288

LEADING NU RUSHER: Jeff Kinney, 99.
LEADING NU PASSER: Jerry Tagge, 11 of 19—159.
ATTENDANCE: 78,151.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Jeff Kinney 2 run (Rich Sanger kick failed), 11:59.

NU—Johnny Rodgers 77 punt return (Maury Damkroger pass from Jerry Tagge), 15:00.

Second Quarter

NU—Tagge 1 run (Sanger kick), 2:17.

NU—Gary Dixon 2 run (Sanger kick), 6:11.

Third Quarter

AU—Terry Davis 3 run (Joe LaBue run failed), 9:11.

NU—FG Sanger 21, 15:00.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Van Brownson 1 run (Sanger kick), 10:15.

Apparently hemmed in, Johnny Rodgers eludes this swarm of Tide defenders and breaks game open with 77-yard TD punt return.

1973 ORANGE BOWL
NEBRASKA 40, NOTRE DAME 6

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1973—Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Rodgers went wild, scoring four touchdowns and passing for another, as the Cornhuskers became the first team to ever win three straight Orange Bowls, capping Bob Devaney's brilliant coaching career with a 40-6 romp over Notre Dame. In his last game as a Cornhusker, Rodgers was moved to I-back from his usual wingback position, and on the game's first play he took a pitchout for a 13-yard gain. It was a sign of things to come. "Johnny R" capped his career by scoring on runs of eight, four and five yards, caught the Irish defense by surprise with a 52-yard TD pass to Frosty Anderson in the second quarter, and scored the last of his 50 career TDs (including bowl games) by taking a sideline pass from Dave Humm in the third quarter and scampering 50 yards to paydirt.

Nebraska	7	13	20	0—40
Notre Dame	0	0	0	6— 6

STATISTICS

	NU	NDU
First Downs	30	13
Rushing, Net	300	104
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	26-17-1	23-9-3
Passing, Net	260	103
Total Offense	560	207

LEADING NU RUSHER: Johnny Rodgers, 81.

LEADING NU PASSER: Dave Humm, 13 of 19—185.

ATTENDANCE: 80,010.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Johnny Rodgers 8 run (Rich Sanger kick), 3:41.

Second Quarter

NU—Gary Dixon 1 run (Sanger kick), 0:31.

NU—Frosty Anderson 52 pass from Rodgers (kick blocked), 2:40.

Third Quarter

NU—Rodgers 4 run (pass failed), 3:43.

NU—Rodgers 5 run (Sanger kick), 7:27.

NU—Rodgers 50 pass from Dave Humm (Sanger kick), 9:00.

Fourth Quarter

NDU—Pete Demmerle 5 pass from Tom Clements (pass failed), 1:09.

Johnny Rodgers outraces Irish defenders on a 50-yard TD pass from Dave Humm.

1974 COTTON BOWL
NEBRASKA 19, TEXAS 3

DALLAS, Jan. 1, 1974—Nebraska's Cornhuskers broke open a tight scoring contest in the third quarter with a pair of game-breaker plays to chalk up a 19-3 win over Texas. The chilled New Year's Day crowd of 67,500 saw the Big Eight runnerup and the Southwest Conference champions battle to a 3-3 tie at halftime, thanks to a brilliant Longhorn one-yard-line stand just before the gun. But the Huskers weren't to be denied and midway through the third quarter, safety Bob Thornton returned a Texas field goal try 41 yards to set up the clinching touchdown. Ritch Bahe scored on a 12-yard reverse and Rich Sanger kicked the point to make it 10-3. Four plays later, John Bell recovered a Texas fumble at the Longhorn 19 and three plays later Tony Davis ripped in from the three to make it 16-3. Sanger kicked a 43-yard field goal with 8:09 left to complete the scoring. Texas had scored first on a 22-yard field goal by Bill Schott in the wake of a Husker fumble, but early in the second quarter defensive end Steve Manstedt picked up a Roosevelt Leaks' fumble in mid-air and raced 65 yards to the eight to set up a 24-yard field goal by Sanger.

Texas	3	0	0	0— 3
Nebraska	0	3	13	3—19

STATISTICS

	NU	TU
First Downs	21	11
Rushing, Net	240	106
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	17-7-2	17-7-2
Passing, Net	91	80
Total Offense	331	196

LEADING NU RUSHER: Tony Davis, 106.

LEADING NU PASSER: David Humm, 5 of 13—75.

ATTENDANCE: 76,500.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

TU—FG Billy Schott 22, 5:30.

Second Quarter

NU—FG Rich Sanger 24, 5:55.

Third Quarter

NU—Ritch Bahe 12 run (Sanger kick), 10:42.

NU—Tony Davis 3 run (Sanger kick blocked), 13:37.

Fourth Quarter

NU—FG Sanger 43, 6:58.

Nebraska's I-Back Tony Davis is stopped at the Texas one yard line by Longhorn linebacker Wade Johnston as first half action comes to a close in the 1974 Cotton Bowl Game.

1974 SUGAR BOWL
NEBRASKA 13, FLORIDA 10

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 31, 1974—Rallying from a 10-0 halftime deficit, Nebraska scored three times in the fourth quarter to defeat the tough Florida Gators 13-10. It was the Cornhuskers' sixth straight bowl victory, tying Nebraska with Georgia Tech's record for consecutive bowl wins.

From the very start, it was a tough, uphill climb for the Huskers. Florida scored once in the first quarter and kicked a field goal in the second, while holding Nebraska's usually strong offense to 138 total yards.

But in the second half, fullback Tony Davis, quarterback Terry Luck, kicker Mike Coyle and the Black Shirt defense took over for the Huskers and led Nebraska to victory, although it wasn't until the fourth quarter when the Huskers really got rolling.

Freshman sensation I-back Monte Anthony scored the Huskers' first touchdown, with 13:24 left in the game, when he ran straight up the middle for two yards and the score. Coyle's kick was good, and the Huskers trailed 10-7.

Davis set up Coyle's two deciding field goals with inspired running as he picked up 126 yards on 17 carries, including the longest run of the game for 40 yards. For his performance, Davis was named the game's Most Valuable Player, an award which he had also received in the Cotton Bowl the previous year. Coyle tied the score on a 37-yard boot with 7:13 left in the game and with only 1:46 remaining, his 39-yard kick gave the Huskers their sixth-consecutive post-season win.

Florida	7	3	0	0—10
Nebraska	0	0	0	13—13

STATISTICS

	NU	FU
First Downs	18	13
Rushing, Net	304	178
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	14-2-4	10-5-1
Passing, Net	16	97
Total Offense	320	275

LEADING NU RUSHER: Tony Davis, 126.
LEADING NU PASSER: Dave Humm, 2-12-4—16.
ATTENDANCE: 67,850.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter
UF—Tony Green 21 run (Dave Posey kick), 5:11.
Second Quarter
UF—FG Posey 40, 14:58.
Fourth Quarter
NU—Monte Anthony 2 run (Mike Coyle kick), 1:36.
NU—FG Coyle 37, 7:47.
NU—FG Coyle 39, 13:14.

Freshman I-Back Monte Anthony picks up some of his 64 yards during Nebraska's 13-10 Sugar Bowl victory over Flordia.

1975 FIESTA BOWL
ARIZONA STATE 17, NEBRASKA 14

TEMPE, Ariz., Dec. 26, 1975—Nebraska's record-tying six-game bowl win streak was snapped by Arizona State in the 1975 Fiesta Bowl, when the Sun Devils edged the Huskers 17-14, before 51,396 partisan fans on ASU's home field in Tempe, Ariz.

The final blow came with 4:50 remaining in the game, when ASU kicker Dan Kush successfully booted a 29-yard field goal, breaking a 14-14 tie and capping a rally from a 14-6 deficit after three quarters.

Fighting till the very end, Nebraska took the ensuing kickoff and drove to the Arizona State 31 yard line with less than two minutes to play. The Huskers first two plays from there were incomplete passes, but on third down, quarterback Terry Luck hit fullback Tony Davis with a pass at the ASU 21 yard line. However, Davis was hit hard by two Arizona State players and fumbled the ball. The Sun Devils recovered it and went on to kill the clock and claim their 17-14 win.

Nebraska ended the 1975 season at 10-2 and ranked No. 9 in the country. The Huskers lost their last two games of the year to No. 1-ranked Oklahoma 35-10 and to the No. 2-ranked Sun Devils.

Nebraska	0	7	7	0—14
Arizona State	3	3	0	11—17

STATISTICS

	NU	ASU
First Downs	20	20
Rushing, Net	198	162
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	23-12-1	37-15-2
Passing, Net	90	173
Total Offense	288	335

LEADING NU RUSHER: Tony Davis, 60.
LEADING NU PASSER: Terry Luck, 12-22-0—90.
ATTENDANCE: 51,396.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter
ASU—FG Dan Kush 27, 4:12.
Second Quarter
NU—Monte Anthony 1 run (Mike Coyle kick), 7:10.
ASU—FG Kush 33, 15:00.
Third Quarter
NU—Anthony 4 run (Coyle kick), 9:11.
Fourth Quarter
ASU—John Jefferson 10 pass from Fred Mortensen (Larry Mucker pass from Mortensen), 1:57.
ASU—FG Kush 29, 10:10.

Husker fullback Tony Davis churns for some of the 60 yards he gained in Nebraska's 17-14 loss to Arizona State in the Fiesta Bowl.

1976 ASTRO-BLUEBONNET BOWL
NEBRASKA 27, TEXAS TECH 24

HOUSTON, Dec. 31, 1976—In the most exciting bowl game of the year, the Nebraska Cornhuskers edged past a determined Texas Tech team, 27-24, in the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl.

Twice Nebraska rallied to overcome 10-point deficits. With Texas Tech ahead 17-7 and time running out in the second quarter, quarterback Vince Ferragamo moved the Cornhuskers 80 yards in less than two minutes to score on a 22-yard touchdown pass to Mark Dufresne. But Texas Tech running back Billy Taylor countered early in the third quarter with his third touchdown of the game on an eight-yard run to put Nebraska down 24-14.

Once again, the Cornhuskers started to work on the Texas Tech lead. I-back Rick Berns broke around right end and dashed untouched 18 yards into the end zone to put Nebraska within three. The Huskers then took the lead when Ferragamo connected with split end Chuck Malito—who gained 107 yards in three catches to earn most-valuable-lineman honors in the game—for a 23-yard touchdown pass. That score, which would prove to be the winning touchdown, was set up by a partially blocked punt by defensive backs Ted Harvey and Kent Smith.

The final score was in doubt until defensive end Reg Gast recovered a Red Raider fumble with 1:34 left in the game, killing a Tech threat and allowing Nebraska to run out the clock.

Nebraska	7	7	13	0—27
Texas Tech	3	14	7	0—24

STATISTICS

	NU	T
First Downs	21	24
Rushing, Net	164	191
Passes, Att.-Comp.-Int.	24-14-0	23-15-0
Passing, Net	232	193
Total Offense	396	384

LEADING NU RUSHER: Rick Berns, 118.

LEADING NU PASSER: Vince Ferragamo, 13-23-0—183.

ATTENDANCE: 48,618.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Rick Berns 1 run (Al Eveland kick), 9:18.

TT—FG Brian Hall 28, 13:38.

Second Quarter

TT—Billy Taylor 14 pass from Rodney Allison (Hall kick), 2:52.

TT—Taylor 11 pass from Allison (Hall kick), 12:46.

NU—Mark Dufresne 22 pass from Vince Ferragamo (Eveland kick), 14:27.

Third Quarter

TT—Taylor 8 run (Hall kick), 3:28.

NU—Berns 18 run (Eveland kick failed), 5:41.

NU—Chuck Malito 23 pass from Ferragamo (Eveland kick), 7:59.

Nebraska defensive end Reg Gast recovers Texas Tech's late fourth quarter fumble to seal the Huskers' win over the Red Raiders.

1977 LIBERTY BOWL
NEBRASKA 21, NORTH CAROLINA 17

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 19, 1977—Quarterback Randy Garcia came off the bench in the fourth quarter to throw two touchdown passes to rally Nebraska from a 17-7 fourth-quarter deficit to a 21-17 win over North Carolina in the 19th annual Liberty Bowl.

Garcia, who replaced starter Tom Sorley, first hit wingback Curtis Craig with a 10-yard touchdown pass (a sensational diving catch) with 10:51 left to cut the Husker deficit to 17-14, then threw a 34-yard scoring pass to Tim Smith with 3:16 left in the game to cap a rally that frustrated UNC's upset hopes.

The Tar Heels drew first blood early in the second quarter on a 12-yard scoring pass from Matt Kupec to tight end Brooks Williams. Then, after the Huskers had tied the game at 7-7 on a 15-yard touchdown run by fullback Dodie Donnell, Kupec threw a 10-yard scoring pass to fullback Bob Loomis late in the half, giving North Carolina a 14-7 halftime lead.

Carolina upped its lead to 17-7 late in the third quarter on a 47-yard field goal by Tom Biddle and the Tar Heels appeared to have the game well in control until Garcia's heroics brought NU back.

Nebraska	0	7	0	14—21
North Carolina	0	14	3	0—17

STATISTICS

	NU	NC
First Downs	21	17
Rushing, Net	206	169
Passes, Att.-Comp.-Int.	17-14-0	13-8-1
Passing, Net	161	93
Total Offense	367	262

LEADING NU RUSHER: Dodie Donnell, 59.
LEADING NU PASSER: Tom Sorley, 11-13-0—105.
ATTENDANCE: 49,456

SCORING SUMMARY

Second Quarter

UNC—Brooks Williams 12 pass from Matt Kupec (Tom Biddle kick), 1:08.

NU—Dodie Donnell 15 run (Billy Todd kick), 4:00.

UNC—Bob Loomis 10 pass from Kupec (Biddle kick), 11:49.

Third Quarter

UNC—FG Biddle 47, 10:43.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Curtis Craig 10 pass from Randy Garcia (Todd kick), 4:09.

NU—Tim Smith 34 pass from Garcia (Todd kick), 11:44.

Nebraska defensive end George Andrews, the Huskers' Defensive Player of the Game, sacks North Carolina quarterback Matt Kupec.

1979 ORANGE BOWL
OKLAHOMA 31, NEBRASKA 24

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1979—In the first-ever matchup of Big Eight teams in a bowl game, Nebraska just missed duplicating its 17-14 win over Oklahoma several weeks earlier in losing to the Sooners 31-24, in the 45th annual Orange Bowl.

Nebraska got off to a fast start in trying for an unprecedented double over OU, driving 80 yards in 15 plays after the opening kickoff to take a 7-0 lead on Tom Sorley's 21-yard touchdown pass to Tim Smith. But the Huskers then watched the revenge-minded Sooners score 24 unanswered points.

Nebraska's rally started with 9:12 left in the game when I-back Rick Berns capped a 78-yard drive with a 1-yard touchdown run that reduced the deficit to 31-17. A little over a minute later, defensive tackle David Clark recovered quarterback Thomas Lott's fumble at the OU 42 and the Huskers were definitely back in the game. Oklahoma's defense yielded 35 yards to the seven, but rose up to stop I-back Craig Johnson on fourth-and-one with 4:24 to go—virtually sealing the win, although the Huskers marched 58 yards in 10 plays to score on a 2-yard pass from Sorley to Junior Miller on the final play of the game.

Oklahoma	7	7	17	0—31
Nebraska	7	0	3	14—24

STATISTICS

	OU	NU
First Downs	17	27
Rushing, Net	292	217
Passes, Comp., Att., Int.	3-2-0	31-18-2
Passing, Net	47	220
Total Offense	339	437

LEADING NU RUSHER: Rick Berns, 99.
LEADING NU PASSER: Tom Sorley, 18-31-2—220.
ATTENDANCE: 66,365

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Tim Smith 21 pass from Tom Sorley (Billy Todd kick), 6:31.

OU—Billy Sims 3 run (Uwe von Schamann kick), 14:59.

Second Quarter

OU—Thomas Lott 3 run (von Schamann kick), 8:38.

Third Quarter

OU—Sims 11 run (von Schamann kick), 1:30.

OU—FG von Schamann 26, 5:42.

NU—FG Todd 31, 10:36.

OU—Lott 2 run (von Schamann kick), 14:45.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Rick Berns 1 run (Todd kick), 5:48.

NU—Junior Miller 2 pass from Sorley (Todd kick), 15:00.

Early in the second quarter, Nebraska's defense—led by Lee Kunz (38), George Andrews (96) and Bruce Dunning (40)—stops Oklahoma's Heisman Trophy winner, junior halfback Billy Sims.

1980 COTTON BOWL
HOUSTON 17, NEBRASKA 14

DALLAS, Jan. 1, 1980—Reserve quarterback Terry Elston threw a 6-yard fourth-down touchdown pass to Eric Herring with just 12 seconds left in the game as Houston handed Nebraska a heart-breaking 17-14 loss in the 44th Cotton Bowl game—another in a six-year string of incredible finishes in Husker bowl games.

Before a CBS-TV national audience and 72,032 on hand in Dallas' famous oval, the Huskers and Cougars battled tooth-and-nail for a full 60 minutes, and the goal-line situation at the end was a fitting finale.

Nebraska struck first as I-back Jarvis Redwine scored on a 9-yard run late in the first period, but Houston came back to tie, 7-7, at halftime on an 8-yard Elston run early in the second period.

After a scoreless third period, Southwest Conference champion Houston took its first lead of the game, 10-7, on a 41-yard field goal by Ken Hatfield with 8:25 left in the game. The Huskers made little headway against the Cougar defense in the second half, but took advantage of a Houston fumble to drive 31 yards in six plays to take a 14-10 lead on Jeff Quinn's 6-yard touchdown pass with 3:56 left.

The next 3:44 were all Terry Elston, though, as the junior accounted for all but 11 yards in the Cougars' winning 66-yard drive himself, completing 5-of-7 passes for 45 yards (three for crucial first downs) and rushing three times for 10 yards.

Nebraska	7	0	0	7—14
Houston	0	7	0	10—17

STATISTICS

	NU	UH
First Downs	13	18
Rushing, Net	136	206
Passes, Comp., Att., Int.	22-11-1	19-9-0
Passing, Net	91	119
Total Offense	227	325

LEADING NU RUSHER: Jarvis Redwine, 58.
LEADING NU PASSER: Jeff Quinn, 10-19-1—78.
ATTENDANCE: 72,032

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Jarvis Redwine 9 run (Dean Sukup kick), 9:47.

Second Quarter

UH—Terry Elston 8 run (Ken Hatfield kick), 2:43.

Fourth Quarter

UH—FG Hatfield 41, 6:35.

NU—Jeff Finn 6 pass from Jeff Quinn (Sukup kick), 11:04.

UH—Eric Herring 6 pass from Elston (Hatfield kick), 14:48

The Huskers pursue Cougar quarterback Terry Elston, sprinting between Derrie Nelson (92) and Tom Vering (47).

1980 SUN BOWL
NEBRASKA 31, MISSISSIPPI STATE 17

EL PASO, Texas, Dec. 27, 1980—A great passing performance by senior Jeff Quinn and a stout defensive effort enabled Nebraska to enjoy a successful return to the Sun Bowl by downing Mississippi State 31-17.

The Huskers drew first blood just 2:30 into the game when—on the first play after MSU's Mardye McDole fumbled a Nebraska punt—split end Todd Brown scored on a 23-yard end-around. NU added 10 points in the second quarter—on a 22-yard Kevin Seibel field goal and an 8-yard Jeff Quinn to Jeff Finn pass—to take a 17-0 lead into the dressing room at halftime.

MSU finally scored in the third quarter on a 47 yard field goal and appeared to be gaining momentum when Husker defensive end Jimmy Williams recovered a fumble at the Bulldog 25 to set up a 2-yard TD run by Andra Franklin. The Huskers iced the game with a 52-yard Jeff Quinn to Tim McCrady pass late in the game. For their efforts, Williams and Quinn were named the outstanding players in the 1980 Sun Bowl.

Nebraska	7	10	7	7—31
Mississippi St.	0	0	3	14—17

STATISTICS

	NU	MSU
First Downs	16	15
Rushing, Net	159	93
Passes, Comp., Att., Int.	19-9-1	19-7-2
Passing, Net	159	102
Total Offense	318	195

LEADING NU RUSHER: Andra Franklin, 67.
LEADING NU PASSER: Jeff Quinn, 9-19-1—159.
ATTENDANCE: 34,723

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

NU—Todd Brown 23 run (Kevin Seibel kick), 2:30.

Second Quarter

NU—FG Seibel 22, 11:37.

NU—Jeff Finn 8 pass from Jeff Quinn (Seibel kick), 13:03.

Third Quarter

MSU—FG Dana Moore 47, 7:48.

NU—Andra Franklin 2 run (Seibel kick), 12:44.

Fourth Quarter

MSU—John Bond 1 run (Bob Morgan kick), 3:16.

NU—Tim McCrady 52 pass from Quinn (Seibel kick), 11:39.

MSU—Mike Maddix 3 pass from Bond (Morgan kick), 14:00.

Nebraska's Toby Williams sacks MSU quarterback John Bond as Dan Lindstrom moves in for the assist.

1982 ORANGE BOWL
CLEMSON 22, NEBRASKA 15

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1982—Coach Tom Osborne's Cornhuskers went into their 13th consecutive bowl game hoping New Year's magic would work the same wonders for them as it had for their Big Red counterparts 11 years earlier—and for a while, it looked like it would. First, Texas toppled No. 3 Alabama, 14-12, in the Cotton Bowl, and while fourth-ranked Nebraska battled Clemson, Pitt was knocking off No. 2 Georgia in the Sugar Bowl, leaving it up to the Huskers and Tigers to settle the national title.

The dream of a third championship in 12 years was not to be for the Huskers, though, as their own errors, plus standout performances by Clemson quarterback Homer Jordan and the Tiger defense gave the South Carolina school its first national title and a 12-0 season with a 22-15 victory.

The Tigers scored first on a 41-yard Donald Igwebuike field goal to take a 3-0 lead, but Nebraska came back with a bit of razzle-dazzle and took a 7-3 lead midway in the first quarter on a 25-yard TD pass from I-back Mike Rozier to wingback Anthony Steels.

For the next two-and-a-half quarters, it was almost all Clemson, as the opportunistic Tigers took advantage of Husker errors to score 19 unanswered points and take a 22-7 lead after three periods. Early in the fourth quarter, the Huskers came back on a 26-yard TD run and a two-point conversion by Roger Craig, cutting the margin to 22-15, but an eighth untimely penalty stopped another promising drive moments later and the elusive Jordan ate up all but six seconds of the last 5:24.

Nebraska	7	0	0	8—15
Clemson	6	6	10	0—22

STATISTICS

	NU	CU
First Downs	13	17
Rushing, Net	193	155
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	17-6-0	22-11-1
Passing, Net	63	134
Total Offense	256	289

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Roger Craig 87, Mike Rozier 75.

LEADING NU PASSER: Mark Mauer, 5-15-0—38.

ATTENDANCE: 72,748.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

CU—FG Donald Igwebuike 41, 3:21.

NU—Anthony Steels 25 pass from Mike Rozier (Kevin Seibel kick), 8:17.

CU—FG Igwebuike 37, 13:57.

Second Quarter

CU—Cliff Austin 2 run (pass failed), 11:04.

Third Quarter

CU—Perry Tuttle 13 pass from Homer Jordan (Bob Paulling kick), 8:48.

CU—FG Igwebuike 36, 12:24.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Roger Craig 26 run (Craig run), 5:45.

Husker players celebrate after Ric Lindquist (15) intercepts a Homer Jordan pass.

1983 ORANGE BOWL
NEBRASKA 21, LOUISIANA STATE 20

MIAMI, Jan. 1, 1983—The 1983 Orange Bowl game between Nebraska and Louisiana State started out like the one-sided contest the oddsmakers had predicted. The Husker defense held the Tigers to three yards on three plays after the opening kickoff, forcing a punt, then the NU offense drove 51 yards in six plays to take a 7-0 lead on Mark Schellen's 2-yard run 4:03 into the game.

At that point, however, Murphy's Law went into effect. On the first play after Toby Williams intercepted an LSU pass at the Husker 7, Nebraska fumbled the ball away to set up a tying Tiger TD. The Huskers then fumbled the ball away at the LSU 15, forced a punt, and fumbled it at their own 45 to set up another Tiger TD. A fake punt then went awry, LSU forced another punt, and the Huskers threw an interception, and were thankful to be down only 14-7 at halftime.

The second half didn't start out any better as NU missed a field goal, then fumbled again to set up a field goal that gave LSU a 17-7 lead. But once down 10 points, the Husker offense came alive, driving 80 yards in 12 plays to score on an 11-yard pass from Turner Gill to Mike Rozier, and going 47 yards in seven plays to finally regain the lead, 21-17, early in the fourth quarter on a 1-yard run by Gill.

A dropped pass on a faked field goal prevented another score, and another interception set up an LSU field goal that cut the margin to 21-20, but the Husker offense sealed the win by eating up the final 5:05.

Nebraska	7	0	7	7—21
Louisiana State	7	7	3	3—20

STATISTICS

	NU	LSU
First Downs	22	12
Rushing, Net	214	38
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	30-14-2	23-13-2
Passing, Net	184	173
Total Offense	403	211

LEADING NU RUSHER: Mike Rozier, 118.
LEADING NU PASSER: Turner Gill, 13-22-2—184.
ATTENDANCE: 54,407.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter
NU—Mark Schellen 5 run (Kevin Seibel kick), 4:03.
LSU—Dalton Hilliard 1 run (Juan Betanzos kick), 10:36.

Second Quarter
LSU—Hilliard 1 run (Betanzos kick), 5:28.

Third Quarter
LSU—FG Betanzos 28, 8:20.
NU—Mike Rozier 11 pass from Turner Gill (Seibel kick), 13:35.

Fourth Quarter
NU—Gill 1 run (Seibel kick), 3:46.
LSU—FG Betanzos 49, 9:55.

Todd Brown's crucial fourth-down catch set up the winning touchdown.

1984 ORANGE BOWL
MIAMI, FLA., 31, NEBRASKA 30

MIAMI, Jan. 2, 1984—In one of the most exciting bowl games ever played, fourth-ranked Miami overcame Nebraska rallies from 17- and 14-point deficits and took the national championship away from the Huskers when strong safety Ken Calhoun knocked Turner Gill's two-point PAT pass out of Jeff Smith's hands with 48 seconds left in the game, preserving a 31-30 home field win in the 50th Orange Bowl. The Miami win snapped a 22-game win string for Nebraska and, for the second time in three years, Husker national-title hopes died on the Orange Bowl turf.

Behind rifle-armed freshman quarterback Bernie Kosar, the 'Canes jumped to an easy 17-0 first-quarter lead and never trailed. The Huskers rallied to score two second-quarter touchdowns, then tied the game early in the second half on a Scott Livingston field goal, but Miami then scored twice in a five minute span later in the third period to put the visitors in a 31-17 hole.

Things looked blackest for Nebraska four plays after Miami's last score when Heisman Trophy winner Mike Rozier left the game for good with a badly-bruised ankle, but junior I-back Jeff Smith came in to rush for 99 yards and two touchdowns, the second a 24-yarder on fourth-and-eight, to get the Huskers within 31-30. Coach Tom Osborne then eschewed the PAT kick (and a tie that would have assured Nebraska the national title) and decided to go for it all—but, thanks to Calhoun, Gill and Smith came up just short.

Miami	17	0	14	0—31
Nebraska	0	14	3	13—30

STATISTICS

	MU	NU
First Downs	22	25
Rushing, Net	130	306
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	35-19-1	30-16-1
Passing, Net	300	172
Total Offense	430	478

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Mike Rozier, 147, Jeff Smith, 99.

LEADING NU PASSER: Turner Gill, 16-30-1—172.

ATTENDANCE: 72,549.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MU—Glenn Dennison 2 pass from Bernie Kosar (Jeff Davis kick), 5:42.

MU—FG Davis 45, 10:09.

MU—Dennison 22 pass from Kosar (Davis kick), 13:52.

Second Quarter

NU—Dean Steinkuhler 19 run (Scott Livingston kick), 6:06.

NU—Turner Gill 1 run (Livingston kick), 12:43.

Third Quarter

NU—FG Livingston 34, 1:51.

MU—Alonzo Highsmith 1 run (Davis kick), 5:23.

MU—Albert Bentley 7 run (Davis kick), 10:16.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Jeff Smith 1 run (Livingston kick), 8:05.

NU—Smith 24 run (Gill pass failed), 14:12.

Turner Gill's two-point pass for Jeff Smith just missed giving Huskers the national title.

1985 SUGAR BOWL
NEBRASKA 28, LOUISIANA STATE 10

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1, 1985—Senior quarterback Craig Sundberg closed out his career in grand style as he led the Huskers back from a 10-0 first-half deficit to a 28-10 win over Louisiana State in the 51st annual Sugar Bowl.

Fired-up LSU scored on two of its first three possessions to grab the early lead, but after a rocky start, the Sundberg-led Nebraska offense roared to life to put 28 unanswered points on the board. Two of the Huskers' four touchdowns were set up by a defense that forced six Tiger turnovers, five of them interceptions, including four off LSU starting quarterback Jeff Wickersham.

Sophomore I-back Doug DuBose helped spark Nebraska with a 102-yard rushing effort, but it was Sundberg who provided most of the punch and was named the game's most valuable player. Starting for the first time since arm trouble knocked him out of the starting lineup at mid-season, Sundberg completed 10 of 15 passes for 143 yards, threw for three touchdowns and ran for the go-ahead score himself on a 9-yard sprint 6:46 into the second half. Sundberg's three TD passes tied a Nebraska bowl record. Two of those scoring tosses went to tight end Todd Frain, tying another NU bowl mark.

Nebraska	0	7	7	14—28
Louisiana State	3	7	0	0—10

STATISTICS

	NU	LSU
First Downs	23	21
Rushing, Net	280	183
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	18-10-3	38-20-5
Passing, Net	143	221
Total Offense	423	404

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Doug DuBose 20-102, Jeff Smith 17-84.

LEADING NU PASSER: Craig Sundberg, 10-15-0—143.

ATTENDANCE: 75,608.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

LSU—FG Ronnie Lewis 37, 10:20.

Second Quarter

LSU—Dalton Hilliard 2 run (Lewis kick), 1:49.

NU—Doug DuBose 31 pass from Craig Sundberg (Dale Klein kick), 4:29.

Third Quarter

NU—Sundberg 9 run (Klein kick), 6:46.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Todd Frain 24 pass from Sundberg (Klein kick), 4:06.

NU—Frain 17 pass from Sundberg (Klein kick), 6:20.

Craig Sundberg was game MVP

1986 FIESTA BOWL
MICHIGAN 27, NEBRASKA 23

TEMPE, Ariz., Jan. 1, 1986—After building a 14-3 halftime lead, Nebraska self-destructed in the third quarter and was never able to recover completely in dropping a 27-23 decision to Michigan in the Sunkist Fiesta Bowl.

The Huskers used a pair of second-quarter touchdowns by I-back Doug DuBose to take the lead, but a fumble on the third play of the second half set up a 21-yard Wolverine touchdown drive that cut the NU margin to 14-10. Nebraska fumbled it away again on the second play after the ensuing kickoff, setting up a 38-yard touchdown drive that put Michigan up for good, 17-14.

Nebraska's next drive stalled after one first down, and the Wolverines blocked Dan Wingard's punt, recovering it at the NU 6-yard line. The Nebraska defense held, and a 19-yard Pat Moons field goal made it 20-14, Michigan, after 8:18 of the second half. Later in the period, the Maize and Blue took advantage of two pass interference penalties to score another touchdown to build what proved to be an insurmountable 27-14 lead.

Nebraska	0	14	0	9—23
Michigan	3	0	24	0—27

STATISTICS

	NU	MU
First Downs	20	16
Rushing, Net	304	171
Passes, Att., Comp., Int.	15-6-1	16-6-0
Passing, Net	66	63
Total Offense	370	234

LEADING NU RUSHERS: Doug DuBose 17-99, Steve Taylor 10-76, McCathorn Clayton 14-68.

LEADING NU PASSER: Clayton 4-6-0—51.

ATTENDANCE: 72,454.

SCORING SUMMARY

First Quarter

MU—FG Pat Moons 42, 10:38.

Second Quarter

NU—Doug DuBose 5 pass from McCathorn Clayton (Dale Klein kick), 0:38.

NU—DuBose 3 run (Klein kick), 3:51.

Third Quarter

MU—Gerald White 1 run (Moons kick), 2:03.

MU—Jim Harbaugh 1 run (Moon kick), 4:17.

MU—FG Moons 19, 8:18.

MU—Harbaugh 23 run (Moons kick), 13:07.

Fourth Quarter

NU—Steve Taylor 1 run (Klein kick), 12:31.

NU—Safety, Monte Robbins downed ball in end zone, 1:22.

Taylor almost rallied Huskers.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA BOWL GAME RECORDS

INDIVIDUAL GAME RECORDS

Rushing yards—147; Mike Rozier, 1984 Orange Bowl.
Passes attempted—34; Bob Churchich, 1967 Sugar Bowl.
Passes completed—21; Bob Churchich, 1967 Sugar Bowl.
Completion percentage—.846; Tom Sorley (11-13), 1977 Liberty Bowl.
Passing yards—230; Bob Churchich, 1966 Orange Bowl.
Touchdown passes—3; Bob Churchich, 1966 Orange Bowl; Craig Sundberg, 1985 Sugar Bowl.
Touchdowns—4; Johnny Rodgers, 1973 Orange Bowl.
Longest touchdown run—68; Dennis Claridge, 1964 Orange Bowl.
Longest touchdown pass—52; Johnny Rodgers to Frosty Anderson, 1973 Orange Bowl. Jeff Quinn to Tim McCrady, 1980 Sun Bowl.
Pass receptions—6; Tom Penney, 1967 Sugar Bowl; Bobby Thomas, 1975 Fiesta Bowl.
Pass reception yards—107; Chuck Malito, 1976 Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl, Tim McCrady, 1980 Sun Bowl.
Pass reception touchdowns—2; Tony Jeter, 1966 Orange Bowl; Todd Frain, 1985 Sugar Bowl.
Longest pass play, no TD—56; Jerry Tagge to Johnny Rodgers, 1972 Orange Bowl.
Longest punt return—77; Johnny Rodgers, 1972 Orange Bowl.
Longest kickoff return—92; Willie Ross, 1962 Gotham Bowl.
Field goals—4; Paul Rogers, 1969 Sun Bowl.
Longest field goal—50; Paul Rogers, 1969 Sun Bowl.
PAT kicks—4; Paul Rogers, 1969 Sun Bowl; Rich Sanger, 1973 Orange Bowl; Kevin Seibel, 1980 Sun Bowl; Dale Klein, 1985 Sugar Bowl.
Points scored—24; Johnny Rodgers, 1973 Orange Bowl.

TEAM OFFENSIVE HIGHS AND LOWS

First downs—30; 1973 Orange Bowl. Fewest: 6; 1955 Orange Bowl.
Rushing yards—306; 1984 Orange Bowl. Fewest: 58; 1941 Rose Bowl.
Passes Attempted—38; 1967 Sugar Bowl. Fewest: 9; 1955 Orange Bowl, 1964 Orange Bowl.
Passes Completed—22; 1967 Sugar Bowl. fewest: 1; 1955 Orange Bowl.
Completion percentage—.824; (14-17), 1977 Liberty Bowl. Lowest: .111; (1 of 9) 1955 Orange Bowl.
Passes had intercepted—5; 1967 Sugar Bowl.
Passing yards—260; 1973 Orange Bowl. Fewest: 16; 1974 Sugar Bowl.
Total offense yards—560; 1973 Orange Bowl. Fewest: 110; 1955 Orange Bowl.
Touchdowns rushing—4; 1969 Sun Bowl, 1972 Orange Bowl, 1973 Orange Bowl, 1984 Orange Bowl.
Touchdowns passing—3; 1966 Orange Bowl; 1985 Sugar Bowl.
Touchdowns—6; 1973 Orange Bowl.
Points scored—45; 1969 Sun Bowl. Fewest: 7; 1955 Orange Bowl, 1965 Cotton Bowl, 1967 Sugar Bowl.

TEAM DEFENSIVE HIGHS AND LOWS

First downs—11; 1965 Cotton Bowl, 1969 Sun Bowl, 1974 Cotton Bowl. Most: 34; 1962 Gotham Bowl.
Rushing yards—38; 1983 Orange Bowl. Most: 292; 1979 Orange Bowl.
Passes attempted—13; 1941 Rose Bowl, 1955 Orange Bowl, 1972 Orange Bowl, 1977 Liberty Bowl. Most: 46; 1962 Gotham Bowl.
Passes completed—2; 1979 Orange Bowl. Most: 24; 1962 Gotham Bowl.
Completion percentage—.231; (3 of 13) 1972 Orange Bowl. Highest: .690; (20 of 29) 1966 Orange Bowl.
Passes intercepted—6; 1969 Sun Bowl.
Passing yards—47; 1979 Orange Bowl; 1972 Orange Bowl. Most: 321; 1962 Gotham Bowl.
Total offense yards—176; 1965 Cotton Bowl. Most: 518; 1966 Orange Bowl.
Touchdowns—0; 1974 Cotton Bowl. Most: 5; 1955 Orange Bowl, 1962 Gotham Bowl, 1966 Orange Bowl.
Points scored—3; 1974 Cotton Bowl. Most: 39; 1966 Orange Bowl.

COMBINED TEAM OFFENSIVE HIGHS AND LOWS

First downs—47; 1984 Orange Bowl. Low: 22, 1965 Cotton Bowl.
Rushing yards—509; 1979 Orange Bowl. Low: 145; 1965 Cotton Bowl.
Passes attempted—70; 1969 Sun Bowl. Low: 22; 1955 Orange Bowl.
Passes completed—37; 1967 Sugar Bowl. Low: 7; 1974 Sugar Bowl.
Completion percentage—.677; (21-31) 1977 Liberty Bowl. Low: .292; (7 of 24) 1974 Sugar Bowl.
Pass interceptions—8; 1969 Sun Bowl; 1985 Sugar Bowl. Low: 0; 1976 Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl.
Passing yards—528; 1966 Orange Bowl. Low: 108; 1955 Orange Bowl.
Total offense yards—908; 1984 Orange Bowl. Low: 344; 1965 Cotton Bowl.
Touchdowns—10; 1962 Gotham Bowl. Low: 2; 1964 Orange Bowl, 1965 Cotton Bowl, 1974 Sugar Bowl.
Points scored—70; 1962 Gotham Bowl. Low: 17; 1965 Cotton Bowl.

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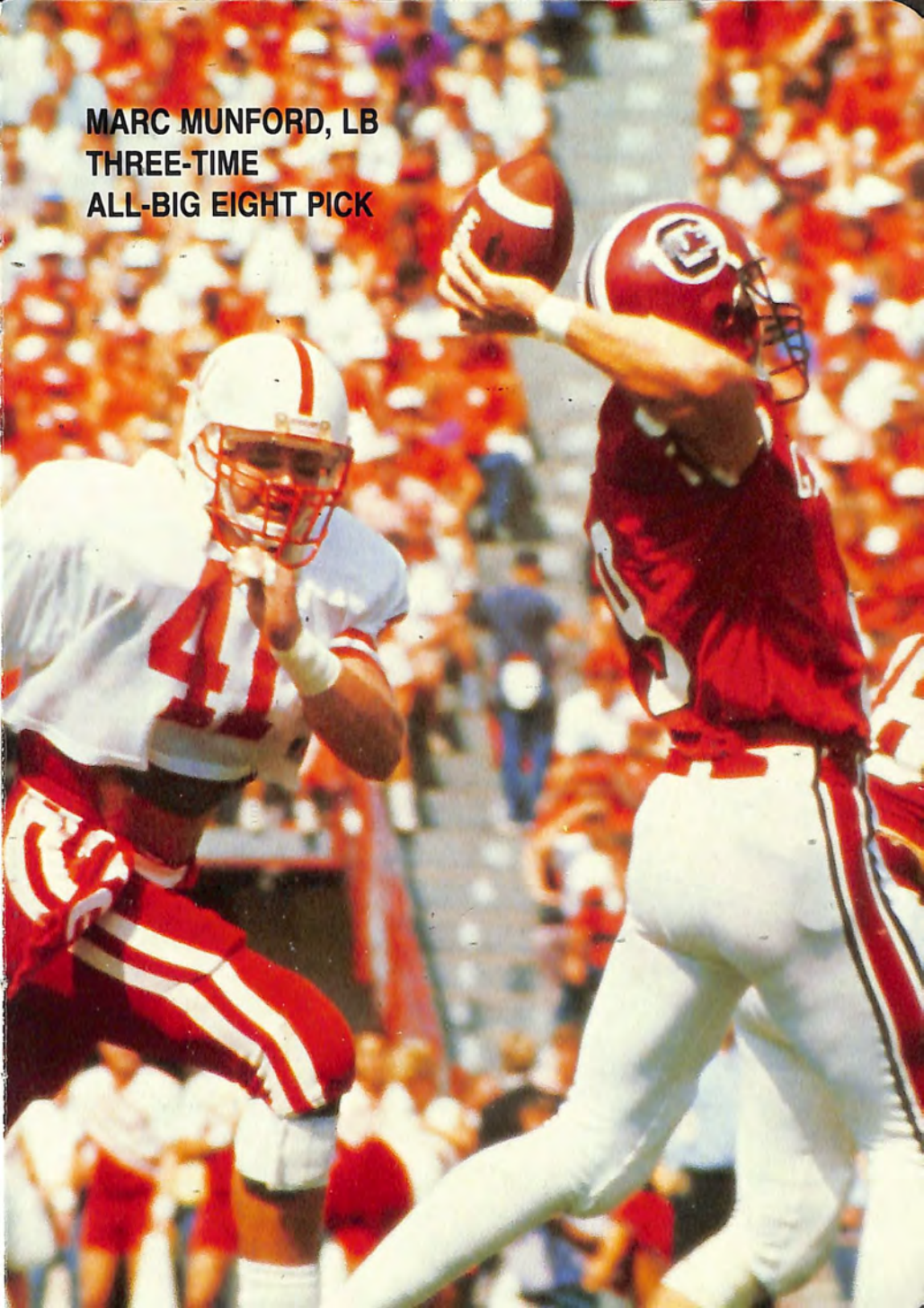
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